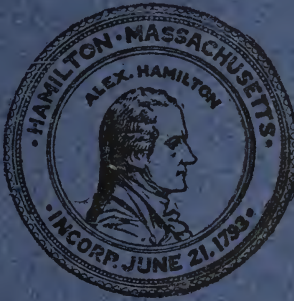


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## LIST OF OFFICERS Elected and Appointed

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### *Selectmen*

JONATHAN LAMSON, Chairman  
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS                      GEORGE E. SMITH

### *Overseers of Public Welfare*

ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS, Chairman  
GEORGE E. SMITH                      JONATHAN LAMSON

### *Board of Health*

GEORGE E. SMITH, Chairman  
JONATHAN LAMSON                      ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS

### *Moderator*

OLIVER WOLCOTT

### *Town Clerk*

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON

### *Treasurer*

ANNIE E. WOODBURY

### *Tax Collector*

CHARLES W. APPLETON

### *Surveyor of Highways*

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE

### *Assessors*

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman  
Term expires 1929  
GEORGE E. SAFFORD                      JESSE S. MANN  
Term expires 1931                      Term expires 1930

*Tree Warden*

HARRY R. MCGREGOR

*Trustees Public Library*

ROBERT B. WALSH, Chairman

Term expires 1930

ARTHUR W. CHANDLER      EDWARD A. UNDERHILL

Term expires 1931

Term expires 1929

*School Committee*

ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR., Chairman

Term expires 1930

CLARISSA E. READY

LAWRENCE G. BUSH

Term expires 1929

Term expires 1931

*Cemetery Commissioners*

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman

Term expires 1931

FRANCIS C. NORTON

GEORGE G. HARADEN

Term expires 1931

Term expires 1929

*Park Commissioners*

GEORGE G. HARADEN

Term expires 1931

LAWRENCE R. STONE

CHARLES F. POOLE

Term expires 1929

Term expires 1930

*Constables*

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK

ALVIN L. PERLEY

BENJAMIN A. DODGE

*Chief of Police*

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK

*Moth Superintendent*

HARRY R. MCGREGOR

*Superintendent of Cemetery*

WILLIAM G. MCKAY

*Registrars of Voters*

FRANK W. BUZZELL, Chairman

Term expires 1931

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN WALLACE H. KNOWLTON

Term expires 1930

Term expires 1929

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Clerk

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

MERRILL S. LOVERING

*Town Accountant*

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON

*Town Counsel*

ROBERT B. WALSH

*Fire Engineers*

CHESTER H. KNOWLES, Chief

LESTER M. WHIPPLE

FRANK DANE

RODNEY H. ADAMS

HARRY R. MCGREGOR



*Finance and Advisory Board*

GEORGE v. L. MEYER, Chairman  
COL. J. C. R. PEABODY      WILLIAM W. BANCROFT  
LEVERETT A. HASKELL      FINLAY D. MACDONALD

*Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering*

GEORGE R. DODGE

*Inspector of Milk*

GEORGE R. DODGE

*Forest Fire Warden*

FRED BERRY

*Field Drivers*

FRED BERRY                      MERRILL S. LOVERING  
FRED P. KILHAM                  ERNEST M. BARKER

*Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark*

JESSE S. MANN                      LESTER M. WHIPPLE  
RALPH BERRY                      TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN

*Keeper of Lockup*

GEORGE H. HARADEN



## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

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### Receipts

#### TAXES

Current Year:

Property	\$97,607 89
Poll	806 00

Previous Years:

Property	17,295 12
Poll	156 00

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\$115,865 01

From State:

Income Tax 1927	\$ 670 00
Income Tax 1928	15,910 00
Corp. Tax P. S. 1925	12 79
Corp. Tax P. S. 1926	4 89
Corp. Tax P. S. 1927	5 16
Corp. Tax P. S. 1928	842 66
Corp. Tax Business 1926	178 46
Corp. Tax Business 1927	34 92
Corp. Tax Business 1928	323 24
Nat. Bank Tax 1925	3 10
Nat. Bank Tax 1926	1 46
Nat. Bank Tax 1927	5 58
Nat. Bank Tax 1928	357 17
Trust Co. Tax 1927	135 72
Trust Co. Tax 1928	1,476 89
Street Ry. Tax 1928	186 64
Veteran's Exemption 1928	3 48

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20,152 16

Forwarded

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\$136,017 17

Brought forward	\$136,017 17
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### LICENSES

Junk	\$50 00	
Common victuallers'	38 00	
Peddlers'	40 00	
Auto, second-hand dealer	5 00	
Revolver	24 00	
Pool and bowling	4 00	
Auctioneer	4 00	
Denatured alcohol	3 00	
Public dances	2 00	
Oleo	1 00	
	<hr/>	171 00

### FINES AND FORFEITS

Fines:		
Court	\$132 50	
	<hr/>	132 50

### GRANTS AND GIFTS

From State:		
Vocational Education	\$ 97 25	
From County:		
Dog licenses	385 89	
From Individuals:		
Maxwell Norman be-		
quest	10,330 00	
	<hr/>	10,813 14
Forwarded		<hr/>
		\$147,133 81

Brought forward	\$147,133 81
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## SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

Moth Assessment 1926	\$ 56 14	
Moth Assessment 1927	652 09	
Moth Assessment 1928	575 97	
	<hr/>	1,284 20

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

## Inspection:

Sealer's fees	\$40 87
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## Forestry:

State Highway work	72 41	
Forest Warden, phone tolls	53 85	
	<hr/>	167 13

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

## From State:

Tuberculosis subsidy	\$191 43
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## From Individuals:

Reimbursement, Tuberculosis	367 90	
	<hr/>	559 33

## HIGHWAYS

## From State:

Essex Street	\$5,657 17
Removal of snow from State Highway	168 50

## From County:

Essex Street	5,657 17	
	<hr/>	11,482 84

Forwarded	\$160,627 31
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Brought forward	\$160,627 31
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## PUBLIC WELFARE

## Outside Relief:

From State:	\$588 00	
From Cities and Town	41 75	
Mothers' Aid		
From State	212 47	
	<hr/>	842 22

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

State Aid	\$264 00	
	<hr/>	264 00

## SCHOOLS

Sale of District Schools	\$476 25	
Sale of books and supplies	42 56	
	<hr/>	518 81

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fines	\$28 40	
Sale of junk	2 42	
	<hr/>	30 82

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Public scales, fees	\$3 15	
	<hr/>	3 15

## CEMETERIES

Sale of lots and graves	\$370 00	
	<hr/>	370 00

Forwarded	\$162,656 31
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Brought forward	\$162,656 31
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## INTEREST

Deposits	\$284 09	
Deferred Taxes	450 75	
Perpetual Care Funds	434 13	
Dodge Fund Income	50 63	
Allen Fund Income	24 29	
	<hr/>	1,243 89

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

## Temporary Loans:

Anticipation of

Revenue

\$105,000 00

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105,000 00

## AGENCY AND TRUST

## Trust:

Cemetery Perpetual Care

Funds

\$300 00

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300 00

## REFUNDS

## Departmental:

Snow

\$36 00

Fire

4 05

State Aid

2 00

Highway

1 90

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43 95

Receipts in year 1928

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\$269,244 15

Forwarded

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\$269,244 15

Brought forward	\$269,244 15
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## BALANCES

General Cash Jan. 1, 1928	\$17,294 54	
Dodge Fund Income Jan. 1, 1928	236 84	
Allen Fund Income Jan. 1, 1928	82 98	
	<hr/>	17,614 36
		<hr/>
		\$286,858 51

**Expenditures**

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## SELECTMEN

## Salaries and Wages:

Selectmen	\$850 00
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Clerk	50 00
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## Other Expenses:

Carfare and expenses	118 00
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Stationery, postage, etc.	18 00
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## Surveying:

Roosevelt Ave.	48 85
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Cummings St.	43 82
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## Selectmen's Warrants:

Dog Warrant	30 00
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Floral Emblem	10 00
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Repairing Public Scales	9 13
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## Fee to County:

Petition to lay out street	3 00
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Telephone tolls	1 00
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	<hr/>	\$1,181 80
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## ACCOUNTING

## Salaries and Wages:

Accountant	\$1,200 00
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## Other Expenses:

Printing, postage, etc.	91 31
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Repairing adding machine	6 25
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Express	95
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	<hr/>	1,298 51
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Forwarded	<hr/>	\$2,480 31
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Brought forward	\$2,480 31
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## TREASURY

## Salaries and Wages:

Treasurer	\$750 00
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## Other Expenses:

Printing, postage, etc.	89 25
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Surety bond	105 00
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 944 25

## COLLECTOR

## Salaries and Wages:

Collector	\$600 00
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## Other Expenses:

Surety bond	210 00
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Printing, postage, etc.	67 39
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Advertising	4 00
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 881 39

## ASSESSORS

## Salaries and Wages:

Assessors	\$1,265 00
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## Other Expenses:

Auto hire, carfare and expenses	94 23
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Typewriting	15 00
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Printing, postage, etc.	25 22
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Abstracts from Registry of Deeds	82 55
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Banker & Tradesman	10 00
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Auto list	5 00
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Express	81
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 1,497 81

Forwarded

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 \$5,803 76

Brought forward	\$5,803 76
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## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

## ASSESSORS (SPECIAL)

Copy of Valuation Book to		
State	\$100 00	
	<hr/>	100 00

## OTHER FINANCE ACCOUNTS

Certification of Revenue		
Notes	\$12 00	
	<hr/>	12 00
	LAW	
Salaries and Wages:		
Town Counsel	\$200 00	
	<hr/>	200 00

## TOWN CLERK

Salaries and Wages:		
Town Clerk	\$500 00	
Fees	85 00	
Other Expenses:		
Printing, postage, etc.	46 62	
Surety bond	5 00	
Carfare and expenses	3 00	
Express	2 34	
	<hr/>	641 96
		<hr/>
Forwarded		\$6,757 72

Brought forward	\$6,757 72
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## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

## Salaries and Wages:

Registrar of Voters	\$200 00
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Election Officers	458 00
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## Other Expenses:

Printing, postage, etc.	120 40
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Food, Election Officers and	
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Registrars of Voters	132 42
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Stenographic reports	35 00
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Posting warrants	3 00
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Transportation	1 00
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	949 82
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## TOWN HALL

## Salaries and Wages:

Janitor	\$1,000 00
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Extra work	20 00
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## Other Expenses:

Fuel	464 35
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Light	152 02
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Repairs	286 70
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Janitor's supplies	78 30
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Telephone	87 45
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Equipment and repairs	27 48
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Printing (Armistice Day)	20 90
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Removing ashes	17 00
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Tuning piano	9 00
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Forwarded,	\$2,163 20	\$7,707 54
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Brought forward,	\$2,163 20	\$7,707 54	
Plants and shrubs	8 00		
Laundry	1 50		
P. O. box rent	1 40		
	<hr/>	2,174 10	
Total Payments General Government		<hr/>	\$9,881 64

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

## POLICE

## Salaries and Wages:

Chief of Police \$588 00

Police Officers 784 05

## Other Expenses:

Equipment and repairs 263 84

Telephone 125 10

Office rent 120 00

Light traffic beacons 60 61

Auto hire 26 20

Fuel and light 16 04

Typewriting 10 00

Taking dog's head to

Boston 10 00

Fees by order of Court 16 13

Food, officers 7 45

Food, prisoners 1 40

Carfare and expenses 2 16

Printing, postage, etc. 80

Express 44

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\$2,032 22

Forwarded

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\$9,881 64

Brought forward	\$2,032 22	\$9,881 64
Payments, Police Dept.	\$2,032 22	
Receipts, Court Fines	132 50	
Balance, net cost of Dept.	\$1,899 72	

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Salaries and Wages:

Firemen	\$1,404 38
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Chief Driver and Superintendent of Alarms	200 00
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Clerk	25 00
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Police service	25 20
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Other service at fires	3 50
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Equipment and Repairs	563 56
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## Fuel and Light:

Fuel	163 75
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Light	98 67
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## Buildings and Grounds:

Janitor	150 00
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Labor on grounds	53 25
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Repairs	47 80
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Janitor's supplies	12 73
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Fire insurance	396 96
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## Other Expenses:

Power fire alarm	73 38
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Telephone	81 24
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Supplies, auto chemical	61 23
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Gas and oil	57 48
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Forwarded	\$3,118 12	\$2,032 22	\$9,881 64
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Brought forward	\$3,418 13	\$2,032 22	\$9,881 64
Lunches, firemen	12 21		
Printing, postage, etc.	6 50		
Medical aid	4 00		
	<hr/>	3,440 84	

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

## FIRE (SPECIAL)

Repairs Equipment	\$132 83	
	<hr/>	132 83

## FIRE (NEW HOSE)

New Fire Hose	\$325 00	
	<hr/>	325 00

## FIRE (PAINTING)

Contract	\$224 00	
Extra work	40 00	
	<hr/>	264 00

## FIRE CISTERNS

Contract	\$1,487 50	
Extra work	2 00	
	<hr/>	1,489 50

Forwarded	<hr/>	\$7,684 39	<hr/>	\$9,881 64
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Brought forward	\$7,684 39	\$9,881 64
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## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

## Salaries and Wages:

Salary	\$150 00
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Extra work	12 00
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## Other Expenses:

Transportation	104 50
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Equipment and Repairs	21 66
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Printing, postage, etc.	6 95
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Telephone	50
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	<u>295 61</u>
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## FORESTRY

## INSECT PEST EXTERMINATION

## Salaries and Wages:

Superintendent	\$1,157 81
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Labor	1,175 99
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## Other Expenses:

Teams	256 00
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Equipment and Repairs	248 82
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Insecticides	399 44
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## Insurance:

Employer's liability	163 60
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Automobile	25 61
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Gas and oil	135 35
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Storage auto	66 00
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Registration truck	2 00
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Forwarded	<u>\$3,630 62</u>	<u>\$7,980 00</u>	<u>\$9,881 64</u>
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Brought forward	\$3,630 62	\$7,980 00	\$9,881 64
Operator's license	2 00		
Telephone	25 60		
Drum Sprayer oil	24 30		
Freight and express	11 85		
Carfare and expenses	3 00		
Printing, postage, etc.	60		
	<hr/>	3,697 97	
Moth (Town Work)	\$2,199 60		
Moth (Private Property)	1,498 37		
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Total	\$3,697 97		

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

	MOTH (NEW TRUCK)		
Ford truck	\$400 00		
	<hr/>	\$400 00	
	MOTH (NEW HOSE)		
New hose	\$297 00		
	<hr/>	297 00	
	MOTH (REPAIRS SPRAYER)		
Repairs sprayer	\$99 12		
	<hr/>	99 12	
	TREE WARDEN		
Salaries and Wages:			
Pay rolls	\$500 01		
Other Expenses:			
Equipment and repairs	17 50		
	<hr/>	517 51	
		<hr/>	
Forwarded		\$12,991 60	\$9,881 64

Brought forward	\$12,991 60	\$9,881 64
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## FOREST WARDEN

## Salaries and Wages:

Forest Warden	\$25 00
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Pay rolls, fighting fires	22 00
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## Other Expenses:

Telephone	76 76
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123 76

Payments, Forest Warden	\$123 76
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Receipts, personal phone	
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tolls	53 85
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Balance Net Cost of Dept.	\$69 91
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Total Payments Protection Persons and Property	\$13,115 36
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## HEALTH AND SANITATION

## General Administration:

Board of Health	\$100 00
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Clerk	25 00
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Legal expenses	20 00
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Printing, postage, etc.	7 18
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## Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

Board and treatment	261 50
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## Tuberculosis:

Board and treatment	422 50
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Forwarded	\$836 18
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\$22,997 00

## FINANCIAL REPORT

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Brought forward	\$836 18	\$22,997 00
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## Other Expenses:

Collection rubbish

Contract	715 00
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Extra work	10 00
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Collection garbage	145 00
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Advertising	10 00
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Burying dead animals	1 00
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Salary, Milk Inspector	30 00
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Payments, Health Appropriation	\$1,747 18
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Payments, Health	\$1,747 18
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Receipts from Individuals

and State	559 33
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Balance, Net Cost of

Department	\$1,187 85
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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Inspection of Animals	\$43 16
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43 16

## ASSESSMENTS BY COUNTY

Maintenance Essex Sana-  
torium

\$1,043 58
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1,043 58

Total Payments, Health and Sanitation	\$2,833 92
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Forwarded

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\$25,830 92

Brought forward

\$25,830 92

## HIGHWAYS

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and Wages:

Surveyor of Highways \$1,500 00

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 \$1,500 00

## GENERAL EXPENDITURES

Labor \$5,595 50

Trucks and teams 3,661 02

Gravel, stone, etc. 579 55

Equipment and repairs 1,823 27

Road oil and cold patch 1,439 41

Gas and oil 611 61

Mason work 148 06

Employer's Liability In-  
surance 454 43

Automobile insurance 44 60

Storage trucks 54 00

Surveying 44 12

Lumber 18 61

Drain pipe 13 50

Street signs 6 75

Freight and express 4 20

Carfare and expenses 3 70

Registration truck 2 00

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 14,504 33

Forwarded

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 \$16,004 33
 

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 \$25,830 92

Brought forward	\$16,004 33	\$25,830 92
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## ROAD ROLLER

Engineer	\$332 60	
Fuel	119 57	
Repairs	29 74	
Carfare and expenses	5 00	
	<hr/>	486 91

Payments from Highway Appropriation	\$16,491 24
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## SNOW

Labor	\$1,565 76	
Trucks and teams	1,473 66	
Other Expenses:		
Snow fence	327 00	
Equipment and repairs	141 19	
Storage truck	120 00	
Auto insurance	73 40	
Registration trucks	35 50	
Gas and oil	24 32	
Sand	8 00	
	<hr/>	3,768 83

## STREET LIGHTING

Contract	\$7,843 12	
	<hr/>	7,843 12

Forwarded	\$28,103 19	\$25,830 92
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Brought forward	\$28,103 19	\$25,830 92
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## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

## ESSEX STREET

Contract	\$16,971 51	
Extra work	39 00	
Advertising	40 60	
Grates and frames	22 95	
Freight	4 54	
Relocation of street:		
Sheriff fees and adver-		
tising	29 00	
Repairing broken cable	46 30	
	<hr/>	\$17,153 90
Payments Essex Street	\$17,153 90	
Receipts from State and		
County	11,314 34	
	<hr/>	
Balance Net Cost	\$5,839 56	

## RAILROAD AVENUE

Contract	\$8,300 90	
Extra work	149 00	
Engineer	639 51	
	<hr/>	9,089 41

## ELLIOTT STREET DRAINAGE

Contract	\$2,650 00	
Extra work	8 50	
Engineer	250 00	
	<hr/>	2,908 50

Forwarded	\$57,255 00	\$25,830 92
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Brought forward	\$57,255 00	\$25,830 92
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## HIGHWAY (SPECIAL NEEDS)

## ROOSEVELT AVENUE

Labor	\$975 83	
Trucks and teams	467 00	
Gravel, stone, etc.	126 15	
Equipment and repairs	24 80	
Surveying	56 06	
Gas and oil	7 00	
Carfare and expenses	4 00	
	<hr/>	1,660 84

## COTTAGE STREET

Labor	\$1,173 50	
Trucks and teams	534 00	
Gravel, stone, etc.	125 50	
Equipment and repairs	193 42	
Gas and oil	182 24	
Mason work	72 30	
	<hr/>	2,280 96

## RUST STREET

Labor	\$588 67	
Trucks and teams	169 00	
Gravel, stone, etc.	77 00	
Equipment and repairs	107 89	
Gas and oil	110 02	
Carfare and expenses	3 50	
	<hr/>	1,056 08

Total Payments Highway Division		\$62,252 88
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Forwarded		\$88,083 80
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Brought forward

\$88,083 80

## PUBLIC WELFARE

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

## Salaries and Wages:

Overseers \$100 00

Clerk 25 00

## Other Expenses:

Printing, postage 97

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\$125 97

## OUTSIDE RELIEF

Groceries and provisions \$250 00

Fuel 137 75

Medical aid 46 80

Cash aid 1,518 00

Burials 60 00

Rent 372 00

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2,384 55

## RELIEF BY OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

## By Cities:

Board and care \$645 00

Groceries and provisions 61 89

Medical aid 24 00

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730 89

Forwarded

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\$3,241 41 

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\$88,083 80

Brought forward	\$3,241 41	\$88,083 80
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## MOTHERS' AID

Cash aid	\$696 00	
Medical aid	35 50	
	<hr/>	731 50

Total Payments Public Welfare		\$3,972 91
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Total Payments	\$3,972 91	
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Receipts from State, Cities, Towns, etc.	842 22	
	<hr/>	

Balance, Net Cost Dept.	\$2,950 69	
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## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

State aid	\$212 00	
Soldiers' burial	97 00	
	<hr/>	\$309 00

## Soldiers' Relief:

Medical aid	\$595 21	
Groceries and provisions	161 13	
Cash aid	96 00	
Fuel	35 30	
Rent	18 00	
	<hr/>	905 64

Total Payments Soldiers' Benefits		\$1,214 64
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Forwarded		<hr/> \$93,271 35
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Brought forward

\$93,271 35

## SCHOOLS

## GENERAL

## Superintendent of Schools:

Salary \$1,200 00

Clerk 331 25

Expenses 17 46

Truant officer 67 50

Printing, postage, etc. 3 44

Telephone 112 11

Travelling expense 173 89

School census 30 00

## Health:

School Nurse 745 00

School Physician 300 00

Health supplies 80 92

Dental Hygiene 33 00

## Other Expenses:

School library 154 13

Advertising 6 75

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 \$3,255 45

## TEACHERS' SALARIES

High \$ 8,920 75

Elementary 17,803 35

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 26,724 10

Forwarded

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 \$29,979 55
 

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 \$93,271 35

Brought forward \$29,979 55 \$93,271 35

## TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

## High:

Books \$ 382 76

Supplies 1,084 39

## Elementary:

Books 477 27

Supplies 809 68

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2,754 10

## TRANSPORTATION

High \$2,805 00

Elementary 2,805 00

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5,610 00

## JANITOR SERVICE

High \$ 750 00

Elementary 1,629 96

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2,379 96

## FUEL AND LIGHT

High \$ 469 04

Elementary 1,456 59

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1,925 63

## MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

## High:

Repairs \$1,149 56

Janitor Supplies 150 98

Removing Ashes 13 50

## Elementary:

Repairs 1280 08

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Forwarded \$2,954 12 \$42,649 24 \$93,271 35

Brought forward	\$2,954 12	\$42,649 24	\$93,271 35
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Part cost of A. D. Walsh			
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Memorial	80 00		
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Janitors' supplies	148 49		
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Removing ashes	17 50		
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	<hr/>	2,840 11	
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## FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS

High	\$ 80 75		
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Elementary	146 79		
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	<hr/>	227 54	
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## OTHER EXPENSES

Fire insurance	\$1,166 23		
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Industrial School tuition	76 60		
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Graduating expenses, diplo-			
mas, etc.	51 55		

Miscellaneous printing	7 07		
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Freight and express	4 63		
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	<hr/>	1,306 08	
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Total Payments from School Approp-			
riation		\$47,022 97	

## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

## ADELAIDE D. WALSH MEMORIAL

Memorial	\$100 00		
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	<hr/>	100 00	
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Forwarded			
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	<hr/>	\$47,122 97	\$93,271 35
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Brought forward	\$47,122 97	\$93,271 35
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## SPECIAL ACCOUNT

## EXPENSES OF SALE OF DISTRICT SCHOOLS

Advertising, printing, auctioneer, etc.	\$23 00	
	<u>          </u>	23 00

Total Payments School Division		\$47,145 97
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## PUBLIC LIBRARY

## Salaries and Wages:

Librarians	\$525 00	
Clerical and extra work	46 00	
Janitor service	37 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$608 00

## Books and Periodicals:

Books	\$862 87	
Periodicals	149 70	
	<u>          </u>	1,012 57

## Fuel and Light:

Fuel	\$22 50	
Light	26 29	
	<u>          </u>	48 79

## Buildings and Grounds:

Rent, Branch Library	\$330 00	
Repairs	72 07	
Fire insurance	51 30	
Janitor supplies	9 70	
	<u>          </u>	463 07

Forwarded	\$2,132 43	\$140,417 32
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Brought forward	\$2,132 43	\$140,417 32
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## Other Expenses:

Library cards and supplies	\$12 92	
Stationery, postage, etc.	12 00	
Floral emblems	15 00	
Transportation books	3 00	
P. O. box rent	1 75	
Express	50	
	<hr/>	45 17

Total Payments Public Library		\$2,177 60
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## RECREATION

## PARKS

Labor	\$327 50
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## Other Expenses:

Painting guns Soldiers' Memorial	13 50	
Equipment and repairs	8 85	
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## SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

## WINTHROP PARK FENCE

New fence	\$235 00	
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Total Payments Parks		\$584 85
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Forwarded		\$143,179 77
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Brought forward

\$143,179 77

## UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports	\$379 30	
Memorial Day	261 57	
American Legion	250 00	
Care Town Clock	25 00	
Boiler insurance	103 52	
Game Warden	10 00	
	<hr/>	1,029 39

Total Payments Unclassified

\$1,029 39

## CEMETERIES

## Salaries and Wages:

Superintendent	\$594 00
Labor	138 00
Commissioners	45 00

## Other Expenses:

Installing cannons, Soldiers' Lot	251 55
Equipment and Repairs	22 60
Teams	9 00
Repairing Receiving Tomb	5 00
Draining water supply	3 50
Power, Water Plant	3 00
Typewriting	1 00
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Payments Cemetery Appropriation \$1,072 65

Forwarded

\$144,209 16

Brought forward	\$1,072 65	\$144,209 16
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## SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

## CEMETERY WATER SUPPLY

Cemetery Water Plant	\$737 53	
	<hr/>	737 53
Payments for care En-		
dowed Lots	\$296 60	
	<hr/>	296 60
		<hr/>
Total Payments Cemetery Division		\$2,106 78

## INTEREST

## Temporary Loans:

Anticipation Revenue	\$2,287 87
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## General Loans:

T. B. Hospital	658 75
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East School Loan	337 50
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Essex Street Highway	
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Loan	233 75
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<hr/>	\$3,517 87
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## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

## Temporary Loans:

Anticipation of Revenue	\$100,000 00
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Forwarded	
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<hr/>	\$149,833 81
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Brought forward	\$100,000 00	\$149,833 81
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## General Loans:

Essex Street Highway	3,000 00	
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,000 00	
East School	1,000 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$105,000 00

Total Paymyents Municipal Indebtedness	\$105,000 00
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## AGENCY AND TRUST

## Agency:

State Tax 1928	\$6,205 00	
County Tax 1928	8,702 14	
State Highway Tax		
1928	2,194 12	
State Audit 1928	230 80	
	<u>          </u>	\$17,332 06

## Trust:

Investment Perpetual		
Care Funds	300 00	
Investment Special		
Funds	370 00	
	<u>          </u>	670 00

Payments Agency and Trust	\$18,002 06
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Forwarded	\$272,835 87
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Brought forward

\$272,835 87

## REFUNDS

To State:

Corporation Tax

\$1 58

\$1 58\$1 58

Total Payments, year 1928

\$272,837 45

## BALANCES

General Cash Dec. 31, 1928:

Checking account

\$3,573 92

Special account:

Maxwell Norman

bequest

10,330 00

\$13,903 92

Dodge Fund Income,

Dec. 31, 1928

\$9 87

9 87

Allen Fund Income,

Dec. 31, 1928

\$107 27

107 2714,021 06

\$286,858 51

## TRANSFERS

## RESERVE FUND

TRANSFERS			APPROPRIATION		
1928			1928		
Oct. 11	Cemetery	\$200 00	Mar. 13	Appropriation	\$3,000 00
Dec. 28	Soldiers' Relief	205 64			
" 28	Police	232 22			
" 28	State Aid	7 00			
" 28	Snow	732 83			
" 28	Tree Warden	17 51			
" 28	Essex Street	1,500 00			
" 31	Balance	104 80			
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		\$3,000 00			\$3,000 00

# TOWN OF HAMILTON

Balance sheet December 31, 1928

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash on hand		Temporary Loans	\$25,000 00
Checking Account	\$3,691 06	Maxwell Norman bequest	10,330 00
Special Account:		Overlay for abatement of taxes:	
Norman bequest	10,330 00	Levy of 1924	\$4 20
		Levy of 1925	50 41
Outstanding Tax Accounts:	\$14,021 06	Levy of 1926	1,186 52
Levy of 1924	\$4 20	Levy of 1927	1,283 84
Levy of 1925	50 41	Levy of 1928	2,302 53
Levy of 1926	4,272 88		
Levy of 1927	8,959 38	Special Assessment Revenue	4,827 50
Levy of 1928	37,454 29	(outstanding Moth accounts)	551 66
		Departmental Revenue	1,329 35
Special Assessments:		(accounts receivable)	
Moth 1926	\$22 91	Appropriation balances:	
Moth 1927	58 62	Essex Street	660 44
Moth 1928	470 13	Surplus War Bonus Funds	965 37
		Allen Fund Income	107 27
Accounts Receivable:	551 66	Dodge Fund Income	9 87
Com. of Mass.:		Overlay Reserve (surplus overlay)	3,874 66
State Aid	\$210 00	Tailings Account (outstanding checks	
Soldier's Burial	97 00	prior to Jan. 1, 1927)	61 16
Temporary Aid	693 00	Excess and Deficiency (Surplus)	20,062 74
State Burial	40 00		
Mothers' Aid	221 50		
Tuberculosis Subsidy	67 85		
	1,329 35		
Overdrawn Appropriations:			
Fire Department	\$1,136 79		
	1,136 79		
	\$67,780 02		\$67,780 02

# DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Bonded Debt	\$24,500 00	East School Loan	\$7,000 00
		Tuberculosis Hospital Loan	15,000 00
		Essex Street Highway Loan	2,500 00
	<u>\$24,500 00</u>		<u>\$24,500 00</u>

# TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

Trust and Investment Funds	\$13,240 02	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$9,881 33
		Special Cemetery Fund	1,858 69
		Dodge Library Fund	1,000 00
		Allen Library Fund	500 00
	<u>\$13,240 02</u>		<u>\$13,240 02</u>

# RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES YEAR 1928

	Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended
Selectmen	\$1,250 00	\$1,181 80	\$68 20
Accounting	1,300 00	1,298 51	1 49
Treasury	950 00	944 25	5 75
Collector	975 00	881 39	93 61
Assessors (General)	1,500 00	1,497 81	2 19
Assessors (Special State Report	100 00	100 00	0 00
Certifying Notes	20 00	12 00	8 00
Law	200 00	200 00	0 00
Town Clerk	650 00	641 96	8 04
Election and Registration	1,000 00	949 82	50 18
Town Hall	2,200 00	2,174 10	25 90
Police:			
Appropriation	\$1,800 00		
From Reserve	232 22		
	<hr/>	2,032 22	2,032 22
			0 00
Fire Department:			
Appropriation	\$2,300 00		
Refund	4 05		
	<hr/>	2,304 05	3,440 84
			*1,136 79
Fire (Painting)	300 00	264 00	36 00
Fire (New Hose)	325 00	325 00	0 00
Fire (Special)	150 00	132 83	17 17
Fire Cisterns	1,500 00	1,489 50	10 50
Sealer	300 00	295 61	4 39
Moth (Town Work)	2,200 00	2,199 60	0 40
Moth (New Truck)	400 00	400 00	0 00
Moth (New Hose)	300 00	297 00	3 00
Moth (Repairs Sprayer)	100 00	99 12	0 88



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		Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended
Moth (Private Property)		1,500 00	1,498 37	1 63
Tree Warden:				
Appropriation	\$500 00			
From Reserve	17 51			
	<hr/>	517 51	517 51	0 00
Forest Warden		150 00	123 76	26 24
Health -		1,800 00	1,747 18	52 82
Inspector of Animals		75 00	43 16	31 84
Highways (General):				
Appropriation	\$16,500 00			
Refund	1 90			
	<hr/>	16,501 90	16,491 24	10 66
Highways (Special)		5,000 00	4,997 88	2 12
Railroad Avenue		9,200 00	9,089 41	110 59
Elliott Street Drainage		3,000 00	2,908 50	91 50
Essex Street:				
Appropriation	\$ 5,000 00			
From Reserve	1,500 00			
From State and County	11,334 34			
	<hr/>	17,834 34	17,153 90	660 44
Snow:				
Appropriation	\$3,000 00			
Refund	36 00			
From Reserve	732 83			
	<hr/>	3,768 83	3,768 83	0 00
Street Lighting		7,900 00	7,843 12	56 88
Public Welfare		4,000 00	3,972 91	27 09

		Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended
State Aid:				
Appropriation	\$300 00			
Refund	2 00			
From Reserve	7 00			
	<hr/>	309 00	309 00	0 00
Soldiers' Relief:				
Appropriation	\$700 00			
From Reserve	205 64			
	<hr/>	905 64	905 64	0 00
Schools:				
Appropriation	\$46,665 00			
Dog Tax	385 89			
	<hr/>	47,050 89	47,022 97	27 92
A. D. Walsh Memorial		100 00	100 00	0 00
Public Library:				
Appropriation	\$1,900 00			
From Trust Funds	277 60			
	<hr/>	2,177 60	2,177 60	0 00
Parks		350 00	349 85	0 15
Winthrop Park Fence		250 00	235 00	15 00
Memorial Day		300 00	261 57	38 43
Town Reports		400 00	379 30	20 70
Town Clock		50 00	25 00	25 00
American Legion		250 00	250 00	0 00
Boiler Insurance		110 00	103 52	6 48
Game Warden		15 00	10 00	5 00
Reserve Fund		3,000 00	2,895 20	104 80
Cemetery:				
Appropriation	\$900 00			
From Reserve	200 00			
	<hr/>	1,100 00	1,072 65	27 35

		Appropriation	Expended	Balance Unexpended
Cemetery (Water Supply) :				
Appropriation	\$600 00			
From Trust Funds	137 53			
	<hr/>	737 53	737 53	0 00
Interest		3,600 00	3,517 87	82 13
Maturing Debt		5,000 00	5,000 00	0 00
Balance of Appropriations Unexpended				\$1,100 03
* Overdraft				

# CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

December 31, 1928

	Endowment	Balance Jan. 1, 1928	Receipts 1928	Payments 1928	Balance Dec. 31, 1928
Abbott, M. K.	\$200 00	\$264 98	\$12 02	\$6 00	\$271 00
Allen, Albert F.	100 00	102 84	4 66	5 00	102 50
Allen, Dr. D. S.	300 00	468 40	21 29	18 00	471 69
Allen, Dr. Justin	100 00	102 05	4 64	4 00	102 69
Andrews, Horace E.	100 00	109 08	5 51	3 00	111 59
Austin, Della	100 00	108 88	5 25	3 00	111 13
Ayers Fund	150 00	174 24	7 93	4 00	178 17
Bean, Ellen A.	100 00	111 55	5 07	3 50	113 12
Bradstreet, John	200 00	206 52	10 00	5 00	211 52
Brown, Elizabeth S.	100 00	103 70	4 71	3 00	105 41
Burnham, Amos A.	100 00	108 09	4 91	4 00	109 00
Burnham, Choate	175 00	184 12	8 37	6 00	186 49
Butler, Nathaniel B.	100 00	104 52	5 28	4 00	105 80
Burton, F. J. and P. W.	100 00	106 76	5 38	7 00	105 14
Chadwick, Alden	100 00	106 09	5 13	3 50	107 72
Chandler, William	100 00	102 09	4 95	4 00	103 04
Cutler, Temple (old lot)	75 00	81 35	4 11	3 50	81 96
Cutler, Temple (new lot)	75 00	79 06	4 01	3 00	80 07
Dane, Ephraim A.	108 00	109 19	5 51	5 00	109 70
Dane, Francis	1,000 00	1,202 53	54 70	157 53	1,099 70
Dane, Joseph F.	100 00	104 82	5 28	4 00	106 10
Dane, Luther	100 00	111 77	5 07	4 00	112 84
Davenport, J. K.	100 00	104 53	4 73	4 00	105 26
Dodge, Edward W.	100 00	108 31	5 48	3 50	110 29
Dodge, H. Augusta	200 00	291 86	13 26	5 00	300 12
Dodge, James E.	100 00	114 67	5 78	3 50	116 95
Dodge, Joseph T.	100 00	108 00	4 91	4 50	108 41
Dufton, Joseph W.	100 00	109 06	5 51	4 00	110 57

Ellis, Emily	100 00	106 64	5 16	3 50	108 30
Elwell, J. E. and Gertrude	100 00	106 36	5 13	3 00	108 49
Fillebrown, H. K.	50 00	52 47	2 63	2 25	52 85
Gleason, William T.	100 00	104 85	4 75	5 00	104 60
Goodhue, Samuel G.	100 00	101 02	5 11	5 00	101 13
Graham, Charles E.	50 00	52 47	2 63	2 25	52 85
Hayes, Olivia	100 00	107 02	5 19	4 00	108 21
Haynes, George T.	100 00	105 71	4 79	4 00	106 50
Henry, Mary R.	75 00	80 53	4 05	3 00	81 58
Horne, Thomas	100 00	114 83	5 78	3 50	117 11
Kimball, Susan A.	150 00	158 65	8 00	6 00	160 65
Kinsman, Jacob	100 00	113 29	5 13	4 00	114 42
Knowlton, George K.	100 00	114 52	5 78	3 50	116 80
Knowlton, Isaac F.	200 00	236 19	11 95	5 50	242 64
Knowlton, John H.	100 00	100 00	3 62	3 00	100 62
Knowlton, Joseph	100 00	101 25	4 89	4 00	102 14
Lovering, Joseph P.	100 00	109 29	5 53	4 00	110 82
Mason, Arthur	100 00	113 60	5 73	3 50	115 83
McNeil, Hattie	100 00	110 39	5 58	3 50	112 47
Patch, Emeline	100 00	110 14	5 55	3 50	112 19
Patch, Laura	100 00	108 54	5 48	4 50	109 52
Peterson, Charles A.	100 00	106 81	5 38	4 00	108 19
Porter, Benjamin	100 00	100 00	4 02	3 50	100 52
Preston, Thomas A.	100 00	101 82	5 13	4 50	102 45
Proctor, Thomas	300 00	356 06	17 28	....	373 34
Roberts, Daniel	100 00	107 75	4 89	4 00	108 64
Safford, Daniel E.	100 00	103 53	4 68	4 00	104 21
Stone, Daniel D.	100 00	163 32	4 99	4 50	103 81
Thayer, Samuel E.	100 00	102 84	4 97	4 00	103 81
Townsend, William E.	100 00	102 62	4 64	4 00	103 26
Trussell, Frank P.	150 00	150 00	6 05	2 00	154 05
Tuttle, John	100 00	105 79	5 33	4 00	107 12
Whipple, Albert M.	100 00	103 54	5 23	4 00	104 77
Whipple, Hannah M.	100 00	106 25	4 82	4 00	107 07

Whipple, Emerson A.	100 00	102 90	4 97	4 00	103 87
Whipple, L. D.	100 00	108 35	4 91	3 50	109 76
Whittredge, John	100 00	100 00	4 85	3 00	101 85
Wilson, James	100 00	102 74	4 97	3 50	104 21
Woodbury, John L.	100 00	100 00	4 85	4 00	100 85
Woodbury, John T.	100 00	100 00	4 85	3 00	101 85
Added in 1928:					
Ayers, Frederick H.	\$100 00	.....	\$100 80	\$0 80	\$100 00
Brewer, Alice	100 00	.....	100 80	0 80	100 00
Colwell, Ernest G.	100 00	.....	100 00	....	100 00
	<hr/> \$8,858 00	<hr/> \$9,561 14	<hr/> \$754 32	<hr/> \$434 13	<hr/> \$9,881 33

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Savings Bank Deposits at beginning of year	\$9,561 14
Savings Bank Deposits at end of year	9,881' 33

## RECEIPTS

Deposits for care	\$300 00
Interest	454 32
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	\$754 32

## PAYMENTS

Care of lots	\$296 60
Cemetery improve- ments	137 53
Deposited in Savings Banks	320 19
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	\$754 32

## INVESTMENT FUNDS

## SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

	Principal	Interest	Total
Savings Bank Deposit at beginning of year	\$1,235 00	\$185 74	\$1,420 74
Deposited in Savings Bank in 1928	370 00	67 95	437 95
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Savings Bank deposit at end of year	\$1,605 00	\$253 69	\$1,858 69

## PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

## H. AUGUSTA DODGE FUND

	Cash	Savings Bank	Total
On hand at beginning of year	\$236 84	\$1,000 00	\$1,236 84
On hand at end of year	9 87	1,000 00	1,009 87

## INCOME ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Cash on hand at beginning of year		Paid for periodicals	\$277 60
(in general cash)	\$236 84	Cash on hand at end	
Income in 1928	50 63	of year (in general cash)	9 87
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	\$287 47		\$287 47

## DR. JUSTIN ALLEN FUND

	Cash	Savings Bank	Total
On hand at beginning of year	\$ 82 98	\$500 00	\$582 98
On hand at end of year	107 27	500 00	607 27

## INCOME ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Cash on hand at beginning of year		Cash on hand at end	
(in general cash)	\$82 98	of year (in general cash)	\$107 27
Income 1928	24 29		<hr/>
	<hr/>		\$107 27
	\$107 27		

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,

Town Accountant.



## TREASURER'S CASH

Cash on hand January 1, 1928	\$ 17 614 36	
Receipts in 1928	269,244 15	
	<hr/>	\$286,858 51
Payments in 1928	\$272,837 45	
Cash on hand December 31, 1928	14,021 06	
	<hr/>	286,858 51
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Cash on hand December 31, 1928	\$14,021 06	
	<hr/>	\$14,021 06
Merchants National Bank (checking account)	\$3,656 10	
Merchants National Bank (Norman bequest, special account)	10,330 00	
Cash in office	34 96	
	<hr/>	14,021 06
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Merchants Nat. Bank (check book)	\$ 3,656 10	
Checks outstanding Dec. 31, 1928	23,473 48	
	<hr/>	\$27,129 58
Merchants National Bank, Balance Dec. 31	\$27,129 58	
	<hr/>	27,129 58

Yours respectfully,

ANNIE E. WOODBURY,  
*Treasurer.*

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK****BIRTHS RECORDED**

1928

- Jan. 21 Nancy Adelaide, daughter of  
George H. Jr. and Josephine (Scott) Hobbs
- Jan. 24 Paul Stewart, son of  
Raymond A. and Grace W. (Gray) Tucker
- Feb. 11 Edward Anderson, son of  
Rudolph H. and Martha N. (Anderson) Haraden
- Feb. 23 Sally, daughter of  
Harold and Maude (Walsh) Nielsen
- Mar. 14 Ann Marie, daughter of  
Hans C. and Alma (Laako) Nielsen
- Mar. 27 James Joseph, son of  
Thomas and Margaret (Sullivan) Millerick
- Mar. 28 Carolyn Reed, daughter of  
George R. and Anna (Jenkins) Whittier
- April 2 Jean Catherine, daughter of  
Albert and Marion (Millett) Tremblay
- May 3 Joan Annette, daughter of  
John and Frances (Smith) Foster
- May 29 Ruth Elaine, daughter of  
George Leroy and Lois (Kelley) Hall
- May 30 Priscilla Irene, daughter of  
Winslow B. and Ethel M. (Mugridge) Dodge
- June 9 June Page, daughter of  
Leroy and Sadie (Southwick) Thayer
- June 30 Francis Harvey, son of  
Frank R. and Eva M. (Ingraham) Feener
- July 28 Stephen Irving Jr., son of  
Stephen I. and Grace M. (Hooper) Cross

- Aug. 23 Gardner Ames, son of  
James and Louise (Ames) Morgan
- Sept. 11 Sumner Jr. son of  
Sumner and Mary (Weld) Pingree
- Sept. 22 Mary Ellen, daughter of  
John and Ellen (Lonergan) McLean
- Sept. 25 Shirley Anne, daughter of  
Raymond A. and Ruth B. (Perley) Whipple
- Sept. 28 Robert Gould 4th, son of  
Alexander and Helene (Ellsworth) Shaw
- Oct. 4 Earl Franklin, son of  
Jerome F. and Frances (McDonah) Flynn
- Oct. 7 Ruth Frances, daughter of  
Benjamin A. and Ruth F. (Linehan) Dodge
- Nov. 22 Jean Frances, daughter of  
Arthur E. and Elsie (Kattendof) Poole
- Dec. 3 Joseph Gilman, son of  
Stanley E. and Gertrude M. (Hitchings) Allen

## MARRIAGES RECORDED

Zygmunt Chludzinski of Hamilton  
Stasia Sylmanowicz of Peabody

Lewis K. Pierce of Beverly  
Helen L. Lovering of Hamilton

Grafton Smith of Boston  
Janice Vaughan of Hamilton

Irvin Maxwell Reid of Beverly  
Mabel Edna Marr of Beverly

John M. Peterson of Hamilton  
Tora E. M. Hokanson of Manchester

Roland P. Berry of Hamilton  
Lorena Mae Case of Hamilton

Philip O. Coffin of Washington, D. C.  
Alice M. (Meyer) Rodgers of Hamilton

Irving L. Peatfield of Hamilton  
Deborah E. Ahlberg of Beverly

Ralph G. Hatt of Hamilton  
Gladys M. Hathaway of Hamilton

Charles M. Kirby of Beverly  
Marjorie F. Stevens of Hamilton

Anthony Fabrizio of Lynn  
Dorothy Hill of Hamilton

Stewart Dove of Hamilton  
Mollie McLaughlin of Boston

Arthur G. Farrin Jr. of Newton  
Lucy H. Cook of Hamilton

Albert J. Michaud of Hamilton  
Mary Cronin of Boston

Ralph DiFrancesco of Topsfield  
Mary Maione of Hamilton

Harrie T. Dunbar of Hamilton  
 Louise F. Pierce of Lynn

Lester E. Stone of Hamilton  
 Myrtle E. Gilbert of Ipswich

Fred C. Morris of Ipswich  
 Wilhelmina W. Dodge of Hamilton

Laurence Petersen of Hamilton  
 Bertha Lundquist of Hamilton

Lawrence C. Foster of Hamilton  
 Doris E. Woodsun of Hamilton

## DEATHS RECORDED

1927			Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Jan.	5	Mary Ann Gregory	78	10	29
Jan.	16	Grace E. Feener	0	10	9
Jan.	16	Alexander L. Cochrane	56	8	22
Jan.	18	George Warren Ayers	22	7	1
Jan.	30	Lydia P. Dickinson	80	10	26
Feb.	8	Martha Emeney	38	11	24
April	1	Hattie A. Lamson	69	0	19
April	2	Emily A. Goddard	84	10	8
April	8	Minerva Davis	85	2	2
May	22	Edwin Barker	81	6	10
June	11	Ernest G. Colwell	22	3	20
June	14	Robert H. Chittick	63	2	0
June	25	Antonio Maione	52	4	0
July	4	John Bowen	50	—	—

July 12	Vincent Ostakiewicz	32	—	—
July 22	Ansel R. Andrews	69	—	—
Aug. 6	Ellen Melvina Swett	75	5	12
Aug. 6	Nettie P. Lander	53	3	16
Oct. 4	Sarah E. Appleton	59	—	—
Oct. 9	John C. Thompson	64	6	6
Oct. 15	Leroy S. Dodge	49	11	6
Oct. 28	Frank P. Lander	58	1	9
Nov. 13	Rose Kivlan	95	—	—
Nov. 19	William F. Weiler	66	2	0
Dec. 3	Elizabeth Marks	66	—	—

## BROUGHT INTO TOWN

Died

1928

Feb. 10	Grace A. Norris	55	—	—
Mar. 18	Jessie Irdell	26	2	2
April 13	Charles J. Morgan	52	11	6
April 22	Elsie Tibbetts	77	7	26
May 5	Charles S. Smith	68	6	1
May 15	Charles S. Gwinn	—	—	—
Oct. 23	Mary R. Henry	83	4	27

## REGISTRATION

The Registrars of Voters met as follows in the year 1928: Four times at the Town Hall and three times at the Engine House, South Hamilton. At these meetings the registration was as follows:

Men	106
Women	129

The total number of voters at the close of registration was as follows:

Men	560
Women	497
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Total	1,057

## DOG LICENSES

Male	105	@	\$2.00	\$210 00
Female	44	@	5.00	220 00
Breeders'	2	@	50.00	100 00
Breeders'	3	@	25.00	75 00
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Total receipts				\$605 00
Less fees				30 80
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Paid Essex County				\$574 20

## SPORTING AND TRAPPING LICENSES

Sporting Licenses (Resident)	92	@	\$2.25	\$207 00
Trapping Licenses (Resident)	4	@	2.25	9 00
Sporting Licenses (Non-Resident)	3	@	5.25	15 75
Trapping Licenses (Non-Resident)	1	@	5.25	5 25
Minors' Trapping	15	@	.75	11 25
Duplicate Licenses	1	@	.50	50
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Total receipts				\$248 75
Less fees				28 75
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Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts				\$220 00

## OTHER LICENSES

Junk Licenses	\$50 00
Common Victualler's	38 00
Auto (second-hand dealer)	5 00
Pool and Bowling	4 00
Auctioneer's Licenses	4 00
Denatured Alcohol	3 00
Public Dances	2 00
Oleo	1 00
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Paid Town Treasurer	\$107 00

## TOWN MEETINGS

Town Meetings in 1928 were as follows:

Annual Town Meeting March 13, 1928.

Appropriations at above meeting as follows:

From Revenue	\$135,315 91
From Surplus	8,000 00
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Yours respectfully,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,  
*Town Clerk.*



# DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

*To the Board of Selectmen of Hamilton:*

Gentlemen—In compliance with General Laws, Chapter 98, Sec. 34, I herewith submit the annual report of this department for the year 1928.

	Adjusted	Sealed	Non-Sealed	Con-demned
Scales:				
Platform over 5,000 lbs.		1		
Platform 100 to 5,000 lbs.	1	18		
Counter 100 to 5,000 lbs.		1		
Counter under 100 lbs.		13		
Beam, under 100 lbs.		1		
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs.		3		
Spring, under 100 lbs.		13		
Computing, 100 to 5,000 lbs.		1		
Computing, under 100 lbs.		10	1	
Personal weighing (slot)		1		
Prescription		1		
Weights:				
Avoirdupois		143		
Apothecary		42		
Metric		23		
Capacity Measures:				
Liquid		90	1	
Fuel Baskets		8		
Automatic Measuring Devices:				
Gasoline Pumps	1	17	1	1
Kerosene Pumps		7		
Oil Pumps		1	18	

Molasses Pump	1
Quantity Stops on Pumps	113
Linear Measures:	
Yard Sticks	5

## INSPECTIONS AND TEST WEIGHINGS REQUIRED BY LAW

	Tested	Correct	Under	Over
Bread	78	37	3	38
Butter	4	4		
Coal (in transit)	3	2		1
Dry Commodities	42	42		
Fruits and Vegetables	50	38	2	10
Ice Scales	3	3		
Bread Labels	78			
Pedlers' Licenses	12			

A permanent record is kept at the Town Hall, showing each test and inspection. About 250 hours were devoted to the work of the department, and more than 325 miles covered in the performance of the duties attached thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRILL S. LOVERING,

*Sealer.*

## LIST OF JURORS, 1929

Frank Dane, Union Street, foreman.  
Charles A. Smerage, Rust Street, R. R. conductor.  
John E. Cox, Main Street, foreman.  
Fred A. Saunders, Railroad Avenue, clerk.  
Oscar A. Wood, Bridge Street, carpenter.  
Daniel P. McGinley, Park Street, machinist.  
Frank L. Bailey, Highland Street, electrician.  
Foster E. Tappan, Goodhue Street, farmer.  
Earl E. Johnson, Main Street, news agent.  
Edward A. Underhill, Main Street, forester.  
John J. Crosby, Railroad Avenue, retired.  
George H. Sprague, off Bridge Street, farmer.  
Jerry F. Hawkins, School Street, foreman.  
Raymond C. Gould, Home Street, grocer.  
Francis C. Moynihan, Main Street, contractor.  
Jonathan Lamson, Highland Street, farmer.  
Elmo O. Adams, Plum Street, bank clerk.  
George E. Smith, Rust Street, clerk.  
A. Merrill Cummings, Mill Street, mechanic.  
Rodney H. Adams, Highland Street, farmer.  
Arthur C. Kirby, off Walnut Street, chauffeur.

## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSION

Feb. 6, 1929.

We have completed the fence along three sides of the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot and feel that a sum of money (\$300) should be appropriated to complete the fourth side this year.

Chebacco Park continues to be used very much by picnickers and campers. We have placed a barrel in a convenient place and request that everyone using this spot clean up the papers and cans, etc., and put them in the barrel before leaving.

We are asking for the same amount (\$350) this year for the upkeep of the Memorial Green and Central Park. The efficient manner in which they have been kept has added greatly to the appearance of the town.

LAWRENCE R. STONE,

CHARLES F. POOLE,

GEORGE G. HARADEN,

*Park Commissioners.*

## REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

Value of buildings	\$3,393,650 00
Value of land	1,529,635 00
Value of real estate	<hr/> \$4,923,285 00
Value of personal estate	830,289 00
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Total valuation	\$5,753,574 00
Tax of Real Estate	\$115,204 85
Tax on Personal Estate	19,428 77
Tax on Polls	1,294 00
Total Tax Levy	<hr/> \$135,927 62
Moth Assessment	1,046 10
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Total Commitment	\$136,973 72
Rate per thousand	\$23 40
Number of horses	227
"    "    cows	110
"    "    neat cattle	9
"    "    swine	13
"    "    fowl	1,604
"    "    acres of land	8858½
"    "    residents assessed on property	806
"    "    residents assessed, all other	90
"    "    non-residents assessed on property	336
"    "    non-residents assessed, all other	70
"    "    of polls only	47
Total number assessed	1,349

## EXPENDITURES

Town appropriations	\$135,315 91	
State Tax	6,205 00	
State Highway Tax	2,194 12	
State Audit	230 80	
County Tax	8,702 14	
Tuberculosis Hospital Maintenance	1,043 58	
Overlay	2,419 67	
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Total expenditures		\$156,111 22

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	\$13,226 60	
Corporation Tax	2,210 00	
Bank Tax	698 00	
Licenses	100 00	
Fines	50 00	
Special Assessments	1,200 00	
Protection of life and property	100 00	
General government	20 00	
Health and sanitation	400 00	
Highways	130 00	
Charities	800 00	
Soldiers' Benefits	264 00	
Schools	10 00	
Libraries	25 00	
Interest on deposits	200 00	
Interest on taxes	500 00	
All other	250 00	
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Total Estimated Receipts		\$20,183 60

## SUMMARY

Total amount to be raised		\$156,111 22
Estimated receipts	\$20,183 60	
647 Polls	1,294 00	
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		21,477 60
Tax on Property		\$134,633 62
Special Moth Assessment		1,046 10
647 Polls		1,294 00
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Total commitment		\$136,973 72

## ABATEMENTS ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

## IN 1928

Levy 1928	111 14
Levy 1927	59 50
Levy 1926	68 97

## DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

\$2.00 Polls	Personals \$2.34	Real \$53.36	Total \$57.70
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## ASSESSMENTS MADE IN 1927 AND 1928

## IN TAXES

	<i>Polls</i>	<i>Personal</i>	<i>Real</i>	<i>Total</i>
1928	\$1,294.00	\$19,428.77	\$115,204.85	\$135,927.62
1927	1,284.00	19,092.76	114,913.33	135,290.09
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Gain in taxes	\$10.00	\$336.01	\$291.52	\$637.53

## IN VALUATION

	<i>Polls</i>	<i>Personal</i>	<i>Real</i>	<i>Total</i>
1928	647	\$830,289.00	\$4,923,285.00	\$5,753,574.00
1927	642	802,215.00	4,828,284.00	5,630,299.00
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Gain in valuation		\$28,074.00	\$95,001.00	\$123,075.00

## PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

Agreeable to Sec. 5, Clause 12, Chapter 59 of General Laws:

	<i>Personal</i>	<i>Real</i>	<i>Total</i>
Church Property	\$10,000 00	\$91,900 00	\$101,900 00

Agreeable to Sec. 5, Clause 3, Chapter 59, General Laws:

Hamilton Housing	<i>Personal</i>	<i>Real</i>	<i>Total</i>
Incorporated,	\$2,500 00	\$77,000 00	\$79,500 00
Town Property:			
Town Hall	\$5,000 00	\$68,000 00	\$73,000 00
Schools	8,000 00	99,300 00	107,300 00
Weights & Measures	1,000 00		1,000 00
Fire Department	8,000 00	7,600 00	15,600 00
Highway	6,000 00		6,000 00
Libraries	3,000 00		3,000 00
Moth Department	1,200 00		1,200 00
Parks		3,000 00	3,000 00
Cemetery		7,200 00	7,200 00

## (CHAPTER 379)

An Act to provide for an excise tax on registered motor vehicles for the privilege of operating such vehicles up on the high-



ways and to repeal the local property tax on such motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section 1. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter sixty under the title "Excise Tax on Registered Motor Vehicles in Lieu of Local Tax," the following new chapter:

#### CHAPTER 60A.

Chapter 60A is so long we omit to print it in full. Will give a brief synopsis of the Act.

The Tax Commissioner sends to the Assessors a list of all cars registered during the year. The Commissioner also furnished a list price of all cars, which price we use in making the valuation.

We are to keep a separate Valuation book, also a separate Commitment book and a special tax file.

No Commitment can be made until the Tax Collector is elected and a bond for the Collector approved by the Tax Commissioner.

Commitments can be made at any time thereafter.

All cars registered during the year are assessed an average state rate; in 1929 rate is \$29.65.

The Valuation made by the Commissioner is as follows:

90% of the list price in the year of manufacture.

60% in the second year.

40% in the third year.

25% in the fourth year.

10% in the fifth and succeeding years.

If a motor vehicle not already taxable is registered after the last day in June of the calendar year, and before the first day of October of each year, the tax hereinbefore established shall be reduced by one-half; or if registered thereafter in each year, by one-fourth; the bill authorizes the Assessors to make proper abate-

ment. This act will increase the duties of the Assessors quite an amount.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,  
GEORGE E. SAFFORD,  
JESSE S. MANN,

*Board of Assessors.*

## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

We have established a new water plant, which includes repairing the old building in which the motor pump and tank is housed, pipes are distributed around the cemetery, with stands located so that it will be convenient to all the lots. Water is to be turned on as soon as danger of freezing is over. In repairing buildings we have made arrangements for a comfort station, which we hope to be able to complete this year. The cost of the plant was \$737.53, adding team work \$9.00, and electric power \$3.00, making total cost \$749.53. We have had set in cement foundations and located at the four corners of the soldiers' lots, the cannons given to this town by the War Department of the U. S. A., at a cost of \$251.55. Repairs were made on the receiving tomb. The building used for the water plant should be painted this year. Some markers are necessary for the single grave lots. We recommend an appropriation of \$1,000.00. The rest of the work done was the ordinary work of the cemetery. The amount in the Special Cemetery Fund is \$1,858.69, and the Endowed lots \$9,881.33. There are 71 endowed lots.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,  
FRANCIS C. NORTON,  
GEORGE G. HARADEN,

*Cemetery Commissioners.*

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

1929

ESSEX, ss. *To either of the Constables of the Town of  
Hamilton,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the twelfth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine (March 12, 1929) at fifteen minutes before six in the forenoon (5.45 o'clock A. M.), then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your ballots for:

Moderator for one year

Town Clerk for one year

Three Selectmen for one year

Three Overseers of Public Welfare for one year

One Assessor for three years

Treasurer for one year

Tax Collector for one year

Tree Warden for one year

Three Constables for one year

One Library Trustee for three years

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years

One Park Commissioner for three years

One member of the School Committee for three years

One Surveyor of Highways for one year

All on one ballot.

The Polls will open at fifteen minutes before six in the

morning (5.45 A. M.) and will close at one o'clock in the afternoon (1 o'clock P. M.). After the close of the Polls the remaining articles of the warrant shall be acted upon.

ARTICLE 2. To choose and appoint all other town officers in such manner as the town shall determine.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and other committees, and take any action thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways and all town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,136.79 from Excess and Deficiency to cover the overdraft of the Fire Department for the year 1928.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to purchase Fire Apparatus, to replace the Peerless, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the Engineers of the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money from Excess and Deficiency to cover the overdraft of the Essex Street Appropriation.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will accept Cummings Street, so called, as laid out by the Selectmen and as per plan filed in the Town Clerk's office and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) to gravel and grade same, as petitioned for by Mabel F. Simpson and others.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will accept Garfield Avenue, so called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and as per plan on file in the Town Clerk's office and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to construct same, as petitioned for by Arthur W. Jaquith and others.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to construct a piece of Macadam Highway on Bridge Street, North-easterly from the Railroad Crossing near the junction of Bridge and Woodbury Streets.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to grade and rebuild Rust Street Extension, so called, to be built under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, as petitioned for by Everett C. Welch and others.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) to reconstruct Union Street from the Wenham Town Line to Asbury Street, in permanent highway, the same to be let by Public Bid and to be completed by July 1, 1929, as petitioned for by George H. Gibney and others.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to drain to the swamp the overflow from the two catch basins on Asbury Street, near the boundary line between the property of Arthur W. Day and George R. Dodge, as petitioned for by Arthur W. Day and others.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for Guard Rail and Street Signs.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to complete the fence on the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot as petitioned for by the Park Commissioners.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the rent of the quarters of the Augustus Peabody Gardner Post No. 194 of the American Legion.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to provide a second light on Western Avenue and appropriate a sum of money therefor as petitioned for by Herbert E. Harraden and others.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to sell or lease the Old East School buildings to the East Hamilton Methodist Episcopal Church Society or take any other action thereon as petitioned for by Robert B. Walsh and others.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will accept the bequest of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the late Maxwell Norman and take any further action that the Town may deem necessary in and about the use or disposition of same and the income therefrom.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws of the Town of Hamilton as follows:

To insert after the word "Chap." in the second line of Chapter IX the figure 5, so as to read as follows:

## CHAPTER IX

### Penalties for Violation

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of Chap.

5, 6, 7 and 8 of these By-Laws shall forfeit and pay, for each offense, a sum not exceeding Twenty Dollars.

As recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1, 1930, in anticipation of the revenue of said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving the note or notes of the Town therefor, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from revenue of said municipal year.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 23. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall and one at each of the three post offices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 11th day of February A. D. 1929.

JONATHAN LAMSON,  
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS,  
GEORGE E. SMITH.

*Selectmen of Hamilton.*



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the following report for the year 1928:

The conduct of the Public Library, both at the rooms in the Town Hall and at the Branch in South Hamilton, has been most satisfactory. Many books have been added and the circulation of over 20,000 has exceeded past records, three-quarters of which number were issued at the Branch.

The trustees again wish to stress the fact that there is such a large percentage of demand for fiction, and trust that the coming year will reflect a greater demand for literature, the reading of which will prove of some lasting educational benefit, and carry out the fundamental purpose and ambition of every public library. This latter suggestion the trustees earnestly hope will bear fruit in the minds of the younger patrons of the Library in the selection of their reading, and the trustees feel that in the years to come, the wisdom of their suggestion will perhaps be better appreciated than now. Cooperation of parents in this recommendation will aid largely in bringing about the desired result.

The trustees have endeavored to fill every reasonable demand for books and periodicals and at the same time retrench in the appropriations, as much as possible. The past year \$2177.60 was expended, and the division of the same indicates that about one-half was expended on books and periodicals, less than \$100 a month, and the other half on salaries, rent, fuel, light and repairs, etc., most of which are fixed charges and cannot be reduced. If the future should bring a new high school in the Town it might very well include

ample space for a General Library, and at the same time effect an annual saving of over \$500, or 25 per cent of the present expenditures.

The Community Room at the Town Hall has repaid well on the investment and continues to be the scene of many enjoyable occasions during the year.

The trustees recommend an appropriation of \$2000 for the coming year, which, with the income from the Dodge and Allen funds, should suffice to carry on the department efficiently.

Detail statistics will be found in the report of the Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. WALSH, *Chairman*

ARTHUR W. CHANDLER,

EDWARD A. UNDERHILL, *Secretary.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Boston, Mass., February 14, 1929.

*To the Trustees of the Public Library:*

Gentlemen: My annual report is herewith submitted. The continued growth of the Library in the last year has made necessary the addition of more stacks at the Branch Library. The Main Library is fast outgrowing its quarters at the Town Hall, and the time is looked forward to when the town will be able to have one central building, housing both the Main and Branch Libraries and open every day for the use of the townspeople.

It might be interesting at this time to tell something of the Library. According to old records the Library was opened in the room in the Town Hall, July 1, 1891, having received from the Free Public Library Commission, as a foundation, \$100 worth of books under the provisions of Chapter 347 of the Act of 1890. It was supported by annual appropriations of \$300, and also received generous gifts of books from persons interested in the work of the library.

In 1898, the number of volumes listed was 2,116, and the circulation 3,205. In 1928 there are 11,355 volumes listed and a circulation of 20,371 volumes. The books are judiciously selected and the Library is popular with people. The reading rooms are in constant use and all the popular and best magazines are provided for the use of the readers.

The Library has borrowed from the Salem Public Library and the Beverly Public Library books to be used by students and the public schools, and is also able to borrow through the Massachusetts Division of Public Libraries books of non-fiction.

The demands for fiction continue to be large. There has been added some of the best non-fiction published last year and also 50 new books on the children's list.

There have been two exhibits of pictures loaned the Library by the Woman's Educational Society.

The book circulation the past year was the highest on record and the same was true of the magazine circulation.

The Community Room has been used by 765 persons.

Sincere thanks are extended to all who remembered the Library with gifts of magazines and books.

The Main Library is open Wednesdays and Saturdays; the Branch Library, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA L. HARADEN,

*Librarian.*

## STATISTICS

Circulation for 1928			20,371
	1927	1928	
Branch	15,282	14,971	Loss of 311
Main	3,787	5,400	Gain of 1713
Magazines			
Branch	483	614	Gain 131
Main	445	535	Gain 90
Added to Library—542 books; gift 18, purchased 524			
Sent to Library—490 books			
Fines collected			\$30 82
Branch		\$20 73	
Main		\$10 09	
Number of books in the Library December 31, 1928			11,355



**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS  
AND TAXATION**

**DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS**

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**REPORT OF AN AUDIT**

**OF**

**THE ACCOUNTS**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OF HAMILTON**

**FOR**

**The Year Ending DECEMBER 31, 1928**

Made in Accordance with the Provision of  
Chapter 44, General Laws

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**February 13, 1929**





# REPORT OF AN AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

February 13, 1929

*To the Board of Selectmen*

Mr. Jonathan Lamson, *Chairman*  
Hamilton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1928, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, Chief Accountant of this Division.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL

TNW/AMR

*Director of Accounts*

## REPORT OF EXAMINER

MR. THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1928, and submit the following report thereon:—

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, were examined and checked with the books and records in the town accountant's office.

The books and accounts in the accountant's office were examined and checked in detail. The records of receipts were checked with the departmental reports and with the treasurer's books, and the recorded payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds and with the records of payment in the treasurer's office.

The appropriation accounts were examined, the appropriations as set up being checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings.

The transfers from the reserve fund were verified with the records of the finance committee.

The classification book and the original vouchers and payrolls on file were examined and checked with the accountant's ledger. The ledger was analyzed, a trial balance was taken off, proving the ledger to be in balance, and a balance sheet,

which is appended to this report, was prepared, showing the financial condition of the town as of December 31, 1928.

In examining the vouchers, it was noted that an appropriation voted in town meeting was paid in total to the local post of The American Legion, there being no itemized voucher on file to support the payment. Section 9, Chapter 40, General Laws, as amended, reads, in part, as follows:

"A city or town may for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for a post or posts of The American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, lease for a period not exceeding five years buildings or parts of buildings which shall be under the direction and control of such post or posts, subject to regulations made in cities by the mayor with the approval of the council and in towns by vote of the town. . . ."

It is recommended that, in the future, payments be made on properly itemized and approved vouchers, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 35, Chapter 41, General Laws, which reads, in part, as follows:

"The town treasurer . . . shall receive and take charge of all money belonging to the town, and pay over and account for the same according to the order of the town or of its authorized officers. No other person shall pay any bill of any department. . . ."

It was further noted that a special appropriation for "Memorial Tablet, Adelaide D. Walsh School," was overdrawn in the amount of eighty dollars, the excess liability incurred being charged to the regular school appropriation. In this connection attention is called to Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked, the recorded receipts being compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town

treasury. The payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants and with the accountant's books. The cash on hand was verified by an actual count and by a reconciliation with a statements furnished by the bank.

The payments on account of maturing debt were checked with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the several trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and checked with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

Appended to this report are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash and the condition of the several trust funds.

The books of the tax collector were examined and checked. In spite of the recommendations made in the reports of previous audits, the collector has failed to keep his accounts in accordance with the statutes. No cash book was provided for the levy of 1928 and, with the exception of several months' entries in the cash book for the levy of 1927, no entries had been made during the year in the cash books of previous levies. The record of collections was in the form of loose tax-bill stubs and postings in the commitment books. It was found that payments to the treasurer have not been made weekly in accordance with Section 2, Chapter 60, General Laws, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 65, Acts of 1926, and that payments, when made, were unclassified, rendering difficult the accurate recording in the accountant's books.

Inquiries were mailed to all taxpayers whose accounts appeared outstanding on the books, and the replies received claiming payments are being investigated and verified by examination of the receipted tax bills and cancelled checks.

The commitment for the levy of 1928 was analyzed and

reconciled with the warrant issued by the assessors for its collection.

A cash book for the levy of 1928 was obtained and written up from the stubs on file, from postings in the commitment book, for which there were no stubs on file, from checks in the collector's cash on hand, and from the claims mentioned above which have been verified. The cash books of previous levies were written up in a like manner.

The commitment books were posted from the cash book entries and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the collector's books.

The abatements were checked and verified by a comparison with the assessors' record of abatements granted.

A discrepancy exists in the collector's accounts in the amount of \$1,616.79, represented, in part, by a check in the amount of \$1,314.96, which has apparently been lost by the collector, leaving a net discrepancy of \$301.83. The collector has acknowledged the receipt of this check by giving a receipted tax bill, and it is recommended that the payor be notified immediately, so that payment may be stopped and a new check issued. Many claims of payment are in the process of investigation, and the result of this investigation may affect the net discrepancy.

It is again recommended that the collector enter collections in the cash books promptly upon their receipt; that he make an effort to keep the bill stubs in a methodical order, by levies; that he make postings in the commitment books from the cash book entries; and that he classify his payments to the treasurer.

The town clerk's records of licenses issued for dogs and for hunting and fishing were examined, and the payments to the County and State, respectively, were verified by receipts on file. It was found that the cash on hand applicable to these

receipts was deposited in the town clerk's personal bank account, which practice should be discontinued.

The financial records of the selectmen, police, sealer of weights and measures, public scales, library, and the cemetery for the sale of lots, were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified by a comparison with the treasurer's books.

It was noted that the public weigher retains one-half the fees collected as his compensation, and that the interment fees and receipts from the care of lots in the cemetery department are retained by the superintendent. This practice is contrary to the provisions of Section 53, Chapter 44, General Laws, which reads as follows

"All moneys received by any town officer or department, except as otherwise provided by special acts and except fees provided for by statute, shall be paid by such officer or department upon their receipt into the town treasury. Any sums so paid into the town treasury shall not later be used by such officer of department without a specific appropriation thereof, except that sums allotted to towns for highway purposes by the commonwealth or a county, which shall be used only for the purposes specified by the officials making the allotment or to meet temporary loans issued in anticipation of such allotment as provided in sections six or six A, shall be available therefor without any appropriation."

It is recommended that appropriations be provided for the compensation of the public weigher and the superintendent of the cemetery, and that the departmental receipts be paid into the town treasury according to law.

The surety bonds given by the treasurer, the tax collector, and the town clerk for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the tables previously mentioned, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the tax accounts and the departmental receipts.

For the courtesies extended and the co-operation received from the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. H. FENTON,

*Chief Accountant.*

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## RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance January 1, 1928, per cash book,	\$17,614 36	
Receipts,	269,244 15	
	<hr/>	\$286,858 51

Payments,	\$272,837 45	
Balance December 31, 1928,	14,021 06	
	<hr/>	\$286,858 51

Balance January 1, 1929	\$14,021 06	
Receipts January 1 to 14,		
1929,	18 38	
Cash overage, due to varia-		
tion in bank deposit,	06	
		\$14,039 50

Payments January 1 to 14,		
1929, per warrant,	\$804 13	
Payment January 1 to 14,		
1929, without warrant,		
certification of note,	2 00	
		\$806 13

Balance January 14, 1929:		
Merchants National Bank of		
Salem, per statement,	\$2,903 31	
Merchants National Bank of		
Salem, Savings Dept.,		
Book No. 805	10,330 00	
Cash in office (verified)	06	
		13,233 37
	<hr/>	\$14,039 50



## MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF SALEM

Balance January 14, 1929, per statement		\$3,529 36
Balance January 14, 1929, per check book	\$2,903 31	
Outstanding checks January 14, 1929, per list	626 05	
	<hr/>	\$3,529 36

## TAXES—1924

Outstanding January 1, 1928,		\$11 35
Payments to treasurer	\$7 15	
Outstanding December 31, 1928, and		
January 14, 1929, per list,	4 20	
	<hr/>	\$11 35

## TAXES—1925

Outstanding January 1, 1928		\$68 93
Payments to treasurer,	\$13 52	
Outstanding December 31, 1928	50 41	
	<hr/>	\$63 93
Outstanding January 1, 1929,		\$50 41
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	\$14 71	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),	35 70	
	<hr/>	\$50 41

## TAXES—1926

Outstanding January 1, 1928,		\$8,121 63
Payments to treasurer,	\$3,779 78	
Abatements,	68 97	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	4,272 88	
	<hr/>	\$8,121 63
Outstanding January 1, 1929,		\$4,272 88
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	\$4,022 67	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),	250 21	
	<hr/>	\$4,272 88

## TAXES—1927

Outstanding January 1, 1928,	\$22,678 36	
Abatement reported twice, adjusted	3 19	
Payments to treasurer,	13,650 67	
Abatements,	71 50	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	8,959 38	
	<hr/>	\$22,681 55
Outstanding January 1, 1929,	\$8,959 38	
Abatement after payment, refunded,	4 76	
	<hr/>	\$8,964 14
Abatements January 1 to 14, 1929,	\$9 95	
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	8,156 49	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),	797 70	
	<hr/>	\$8,964 14

## TAXES—1928

Commitment per warrant,	\$135,927 62	
Additional commitment, per warrant,	57 70	
	<hr/>	\$135,985 32
Payments to treasurer,	\$98,413 89	
Abatements,	117 14	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	\$37,454 29	
	<hr/>	\$135,985 32
Outstanding January 1, 1929,	\$37,454 29	
Overpayment, not refunded,	2 10	
Unidentified receipt per cash book,	3 17	
	<hr/>	\$37,459 56
Abatement 1928, not reported, adjusted,	\$1 17	
Abatements January 1 to 14, 1929,	243 23	
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	26,614 78	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified)	8,983 59	
Due from collector January 14, 1929,	1,616 79	
	<hr/>	\$37,459 56

## DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

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## MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1926

Outstanding January 1, 1928,		\$79 05
Payments to treasurer,	\$56 14	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	22 91	
	<hr/>	\$79 05
Outstanding January 1, 1929,		\$22 91
Outstanding January 14, 1929,		\$22 91
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	\$19 59	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),	3 32	
	<hr/>	\$22 91

## MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1927

Outstanding January 1, 1928,		\$710 71
Payments to treasurer,	\$652 09	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	58 62	
	<hr/>	\$710 71
Outstanding January 1, 1929,		\$58 62
Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list,	\$54 93	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),	3 69	
	<hr/>	\$58 62

## MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1928

Commitment per warrant,		\$1,046 10
Payments to treasurer,	\$575 97	
Outstanding December 31, 1928,	470 13	
	<hr/>	\$1,046 10
Outstanding January 1, 1929,		\$470 13
Outstanding January 14, 1929,	\$301 24	
Cash on hand January 14, 1929,	168 89	
	<hr/>	\$470 12

## INTEREST ON DEFERRED TAXES

Cash on hand January 1, 1928:

Levy of 1926, \$105 38

Levy of 1927, 69 59

\$174 97

Collections:

Levy of 1924, \$1 21

Levy of 1925, 1 50

Levy of 1926, 17 93

Levy of 1927, 219 07

Levy of 1928, 36 07

275 78

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\$450 75

Payments to treasurer,

\$450 75

Collections January 1 to 14, 1920:

Levy of 1925, \$5 94

Levy of 1926, 16 50

Levy of 1927, 16 86

Levy of 1928, 23 52

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\$62 82

Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),

\$62 82

## SELECTMEN'S LICENSES

Due from town clerk January 1, 1928, \$2 00

Licenses issued:

Common victualler, \$36 00

Alcohol, 3 00

Auctioneers', 4 00

Junk collector, 50 00

Oleomargarine, 1 00

Pool, 4 00

# DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

95

Dance,	2 00		
Used-car dealer,	5 00		
		105 00	
		<hr/>	\$107 00
Payments to treasurer,			\$107 00

## DOG LICENSES

Due county treasurer January 1, 1928,	\$56 20		
Licenses issued:			
114 @ \$2.00,	\$228 00		
51 @ 5.00,	255 00		
1 @ 25.00	25 00		
2 @ 50.00,	100 00		
		608 00	
		<hr/>	\$664 20

Payments to county treasurer, per receipts on file:

May 24, 1928,	\$205 00		
November 24, 1928,	369 20		
		\$574 20	

Town clerk fees:

168 @ 20c	33 60		
Due county treasurer December 31, 1928	56 40		
		<hr/>	\$664 20

Due county treasurer January 1, 1929, \$56 40

Licenses issued January 1 to 19, 1929:

4 @ \$2.00,	\$8 00		
1 @ 25.00,	25 00		
		33 00	
		<hr/>	\$89 40

Town clerk's fees:

5 @ 20c,	\$1 00		
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\*Cash balance January 19, 1929, 88 40

\*Deposited in town clerk's personal account.

## HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES

## Licenses issued:

4 @ \$5.25,	\$21 00
96 @ 2.25,	216 00
15 @ .75,	11 25
1 @ .50,	50

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 \$248 75

 Payments to Department of Conservation,  
 per receipts on file,

\$220 00

Town clerk's fees:

 115 @ 25c,
 28 75


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 \$248 75

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees for sealing, \$39 98Overpayment to treasurer, 89


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 \$40 87

Payments to treasurer,

\$40 87

## LIBRARY FINES

Fines, \$30 82Payments to treasurer, \$30 82Fines January 1 to January 21, 1929, \$19 08Payments to treasurer January 1 to 21, 1929, \$18 38Cash on hand January 21, 1929 (verified), 70


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 \$19 08

## PUBLIC SCALES

Due treasurer January 1, 1928, \$ 15Fees for weighing 6 00


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 \$6 15

## DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

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Payments to treasurer,	\$3 15	
Fees retained by weigher,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$6 15
Fees for weighing January 1 to 21, 1929,		75
Cash on hand January 21, 1929 (verified),		75

## REVOLVER LICENSES

Licenses issued in 1927,	\$12 00	
Licenses issued in 1928,	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00
Payments to treasurer,		\$24 00

## CEMETERY—SALE OF LOTS

Receipts,	\$370 00
Payments to treasurer, deposited in cemetery special fund,	\$370 00

## H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

	<i>Sav. Deposits</i>	<i>Total</i>
On hand at beginning of year 1928,	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
On hand at end of year 1928,	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	
Income, \$50 63	Transferred to town,	\$50 63

## DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

	<i>Sav. Deposits</i>	<i>Total</i>
On hand at beginning of year 1928,	\$500 00	\$500 00
On hand at end of year 1928	500 00	500 00
<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Payments</i>	
Income, \$24 29	Transferred to town,	\$24 29

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

		<i>Sav. Deposits</i>	<i>Total</i>
On hand at beginning of year 1928,		\$9,561 14	\$9,561 14
On hand at end of year 1928,		\$9,881 33	\$9,881 33
<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Payments</i>	
Income,	\$454 32	Added to savings de-	
Bequests,	300 00	posits,	\$320 19
	<hr/>	Care of lots,	296 60
	\$754 32	Transferred to town for	
		cemetery water supply,	137 53
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			\$754 32

## CEMETERY SPECIAL FUND

		<i>Sav. Deposits</i>	<i>Total</i>
On hand at beginning of year 1928,		\$1,420 74	\$1,420 74
On hand at end of year 1928,		\$1,858 60	\$1,858 69
<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Payments</i>	
Income,	\$67 95	Added to savings de-	
Sale of lots,	370 00	posits,	\$437 95
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	\$437 95		\$437 95



## TOWN OF HAMILTON

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1928

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

## Cash:

In Banks and Office,	\$14,021 06
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## Accounts Receivable:

## Taxes:

Levy of 1924,	\$4 20	
Levy of 1925,	50 41	
Levy of 1926,	4,272 88	
Levy of 1927,	8,959 38	
Levy of 1928,	37,454 29	
	<hr/>	\$50,741 16

## Special Assessments:

Moth 1926,	\$22 91	
Moth 1927,	58 62	
Moth 1928,	470 13	
	<hr/>	551 66

## Departmental:

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

State Aid,	\$210 00	
Soldiers' Burial,	97 00	
Health,	67 85	
Public Welfare,	954 50	
	<hr/>	1,329 35

## Overdrawn Account (to be appropriated):

Fire,	1,136 79	
	<hr/>	\$67,780 02

## LIABILITIES

## Temporary Loans:

In Anticipation of Revenue,	\$25,000 00
Maxwell Norman Bequest,	10,330 00
Tailings,	61 16
Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund Income,	107 27
H. A. Dodge Library Fund Income,	9 87
Surplus War Bonus Fund,	965 37
Unexpended Balance—Essex Street,	660 44

## Overlays—Reserved for Abatements of Taxes:

Levy of 1924,	\$4 20	
Levy of 1925,	50 41	
Levy of 1926,	1,186 52	
Levy of 1927,	1,283 84	
Levy of 1928,	2,302 53	
	<hr/>	4,827 50

## Revenue—Reserved until Collected:

Special Assessment,	\$551 66	
Departmental,	1,329 35	
	<hr/>	1,881 01

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus,	3,874 66
Surplus Revenue,	20,062 74
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	\$67,780 02

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

## ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt,	\$24,500 00
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	\$24,500 00

## LIABILITIES

East Schoolhouse Loan,	\$7,000 00
Essex County Tuberculosis Hospital Loan,	15,000 00
Permanent Highway Loan,	2,500 00
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	\$24,500 00

## TRUST FUNDS

## ASSETS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities,	\$13,240 02
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	\$13,240 02

## LIABILITIES

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund,	\$500 00
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund,	1,000 00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,	9,881 33
Cemetery Special Fund,	1,858 69
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	\$13,240 02

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hamilton, Mass., February, 1929

*To the Board of Selectmen of Hamilton:*

Gentlemen: I wish to submit my annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1928.

Whole number of arrests during the year, 20, divided as follows:

Male	20
Adults	10
Minors	10
Native born	15
Foreign born	5
Residents	6
Non-residents	14

### OFFENSES

Larceny during the day	4
Larceny during the night	5
Desertion from Navy	1
Driving so as to endanger lives of the public	2
Assault	2
Driving drunk	2
Drunk	3
Non-support	1

## DISPOSITION

Fined and paid	6
Larceny cases—Prob. 6 months at Shirley, fine and cost of Court \$27.50 each	3
Larceny cases filed	3
Larceny case of bicycle for Essex police	1
Non-support—Five dollars a week for support of child	1
Drunk—Paid Ipswich Court five dollars	1
Driving drunk—Fined \$100.00 each	2
Desertion from Navy—Apprehended and returned to Charlestown Navy Yard	1
Driving so as to endanger lives of the public— Fined \$20	2

## ARRESTS MADE BY OFFICERS

Arthur Southwick	12
A. L. Perley	2
Fred Saunders	2
Fred Stillings	3
Edward Frederick	1

## OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE AT COURT

Arthur Southwick	32
A. L. Perley	9
Edward Frederick	4
Fred Stillings	8
Frank Dever	4
Benjamin Dodge	2
Fred Saunders	2

## COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED

Arthur Southwick	169
A. L. Perley	46
Fred Stillings	18
Fred Saunders	22
Edward Fredericks	6
Frank Dever	16
William Caldwell	2

## SUPERIOR COURT

Cases on docket	1
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Automobile licenses and registrations revoked or suspended during the year 1928 in Hamilton by George A. Parker, Registrar of Motor Vehicles:

Licenses revoked	5
Licenses suspended	2
Registrations revoked	10

Number of motor vehicle accidents in Hamilton where persons were injured, during the year 1928, reported to police, 16

Number of motor vehicle accidents in Hamilton during the year 1928, property damage only, reported to police, 32

Number of revolver licenses issued by police to carry a pistol or revolver in the State of Massachusetts, during the year 1928, 26

Number of notices of intended sale or transfer of motor vehicles issued by the Hamilton police during the year 1928, on forms supplied by George A. Parker, 104

## MISCELLANEOUS

Automobiles reported stolen	20
Automobiles stolen in town	3
Automobiles recovered	9
Automobile tires stolen	7
Other property reported stolen or lost, value about	\$800
Other property found and recovered, value about	\$500
Complaints received	281
Complaints investigated	277
Fires extinguished	2
Disturbances	12
Dogs reported lost or stolen	32
Dogs found and returned	4
Dogs killed	12
Lights reported out	42
Summons served for out-of-town officers	17
Dangerous wires reported or removed	4
Accidents reported	32
Persons received assistance	8
Police assistance to out-of-town officers	28
Police assistance by out-of-town officers	16
Court attendance for 1928	61
Report to Prison Commission	1
Report to Highway Commission	6
Letters, postal cards, and notices sent out, about	106
Letters, postal cards, and notices received, about	321
Persons drowned	3
Persons saved from drowning	2

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK,

*Chief of Police.*

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Hamilton, Mass., Jan. 25, 1929.

*To the Board of Selectmen,*

Gentlemen:— The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1928.

One cistern has been constructed on Asbury Street, near the residence of Mr. S. G. Goodhue; we now have six in service.

The subject of fires should always be of serious import to the citizens. The department responded to forty-four alarms in Hamilton, and two calls for assistance from Wenham during 1928; sixteen alarms, or more than fifty per cent increase over 1927, during which year we answered thirty calls. We should stop for a moment and consider the situation. What is the cause? We find by analysis that of the forty-four alarms in Hamilton, eight were for chimney fires; nine, fires in buildings; seventeen were for grass or brush; one automobile; five rekindles and four were false or for no fire.

The only solution which we might recommend is that every person be more careful as regards conditions which make or cause fire; keep the chimney clean, do not start any grass or brush fire that cannot be controlled; permits are necessary for a fire out of doors, and then only if conditions are right and the law in relation thereto is complied with, otherwise you may be called on to pay for damage to your neighbors property. Have your electric wiring examined for defects, clean up the rubbish around the house and grounds, they are



all fire breeders and should be taken care of. The smaller the number of alarms answered, the lower the cost of the department.

This morning we received from the Department of Public Safety, the following communication, which we reprint as part of this report.

State House, Boston, Jan. 21, 1929.

To: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Subject: Order in accordance with provisions of Chapter 277, Section 3, Acts of 1928.

1. Chapter 277, Section 3, Acts of 1928, reads as follows: Section 3. Said chapter one hundred and forty-eight is hereby further amended by inserting after section seven the following new section:— Section 7A. The marshal, the chiefs of fire departments in cities, and the chief engineer in towns or the chairman of the board of selectmen in any town having no engineer, may by order, which shall not apply to one-family dwellings, (1) require the use of metal receptacles for ashes, waste paper and rubbish; (2) require the use of self-closing safety cans for volatile or inflammable fluids or compounds; (3) require oily rags and waste, when not in actual use, to be stored in metal containers with self-closing covers and riveted joints, the container to be raised at least four inches above the floor on metal legs; and (4) prohibit the use of rubber tubing as connections for lamps, stoves and irons using inflammable gas for fuel, except such flexible rubber-covered metal tubing as may be approved by the commissioner. Any violation of any order under this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each consecutive forty-eight hours during which such violation continues.

Approved May 1, 1928.

2. In accordance with the provisions of the said section, I hereby prohibit the use of rubber tubing as connections for lamps, stoves and irons using inflammable gas for fuel, except such flexible rubber covered metal tubing as may be approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety and which bears a label, mark or stamp indicating such approval.

3. By virtue of the provisions of the above cited chapter and section this order shall not apply to one-family dwellings.

GEO. C. NEAL,

*State Fire Marshal.*

We call your particular attention to paragraph two of this letter. With the installation of gas in Hamilton it will be necessary that you use only the right tubing on gas appliances.

The Engineers ask your consideration of an appropriation for apparatus to replace the Peerless Combination now in service. The time has arrived when we deem it wise to make a change. The present apparatus has about completed its life of service; if a major part should break, we would not be able to replace it, except at prohibitive cost and time out of service. The Peerless Company have discontinued manufacturing this model and any part needed must be made to order. We leave it to your judgment what we shall receive.

The department have responded to eight still and thirty-eight bell alarms during 1928, appended report of which follows,—

<i>Date</i>	<i>Dist.</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Description</i>
Jan. 2 23	Farms Rd.	Richard H. Smith,	chimney	
3 23	Main St.	Episcopal Church,	chimney	
7 21	Asbury St.	Episcopal Church,	grass	

Feb.	3	31	Asbury St.	Mrs. M. E. Hurlburt, chimney
	29	21	Gail Ave.	B. Tuckerman, Jr., chimney
	29	3-3	Wenham	
Mar.	1		False	
	1	31	Asbury St.	Mrs. Maione, chimney
	4	13	Bridge St.	F. Ayers, grass
	18	32	Highland St.	R. Adams, chimney
	21	24	Main St.	C. C. Felton, grass
	22	31	Arthur Ave.	Mrs. G. D. Grant, house
	22	31	Arthur Ave.	Mrs. G. D. Grant, rekindle
	24	21	Main St.	A. C. Cummings, no fire
	28	13	Bridge St.	F. Ayers and others, woods, brush
	29	23	Main St.	grass
	29	21	Main St.	A. C. Burrage, Jr., grass
	30	13	East Hamilton	No fire
Apr.	2	still	Bridge St.	G. S. Mandell, grass
	4	25	Farms Rd.	J. S. Greiss, grass and brush
	5		False	
	5	21	Maple St.	Mrs. P. Saulnier, grass
	7	23	Main St.	F. P. Trussell, grass
	9	21	Asbury St.	S. G. Goodhue, chimney
	9	21	Main St.	Myopia Club, grass
	13	21	Main St.	G. C. Vaughan, grass
	16	14	Echo Cove	grass
	27		Moulton St.	grass
May	6	23	Main St., Mrs. G. v. L. Meyer, brush, building	
	8	25	Farms Rd.	Appleton Farms, grass
	11	21	Elliott St.	Thomas Sargent, house
June	4	3-3	Wenham	
	16	still	Essex Branch R. R. tracks	grass
	24	21	Pleasant St., T. F. Hansbury, rubbish in cellar	

July	3	23	Near Myopia	Est. M. Norman, old building
	3	25	Farms Rd.	F. T. Colby, building
	3	still	Miles River Rd.	Est. H. C. Perkins, building
	7	still	Miles River Rd.	Est. H. C. Perkins, rekindle
	8	still	Miles River Rd.	Est. H. C. Perkins, rekindle
	19	24	Gardner St.	G. C. Vaughan, automobile
Oct.	14	still	Sagamore St.	E. Stone, chimney
Nov.	2	23	Main St.	G. von L. Meyer, brush
	4	21	Union St.	G. C. Adams, building
	5	still	Union St.	G. C. Adams, rekindle
	11	still	Miles River Road	Myopia Club, grass
Dec.	25	still	Holmes St.	L. H. Cushman, chimney

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER H. KNOWLES,  
HARRY R. MCGREGOR,  
LESTER M. WHIPPLE,  
RODNEY ADAMS,  
FRANK DANE.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:—*

At the Annual Town Meeting the Town voted an appropriation of \$5,000. for permanent road construction on Essex Street. This completes Essex Street from the Essex line to the Wenham line. This road has been built in conjunction with State and County which means that the Town has had to pay only one-third of the cost of construction. Owing to circumstances out of our control the Town will be unable to build permanent road under this arrangement until 1930.

The vote of the Town for drainage on Pleasant and Elliott Streets and for the construction of Railroad Avenue has been carried out. This drainage has relieved a bad condition of long standing and the Town now has a fine street through the business district. We hope the Town will continue the policy of building permanent highway as far as possible. We feel that permanent construction of the main thoroughfares will result in a considerable saving to the Town.

In the past few years there has been overdrafts in several departments that are under our jurisdiction. While the law permits our Board to authorize overdrafts in extreme emergencies involving the safety of persons and property, we feel that these recurring overdrafts indicate that these departments are not receiving sufficient appropriations to maintain them at complete efficiency.

The Board of Selectmen take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. C. C. Williams for her kindness in presenting to the Town

the beautiful memorial tablet commemorating those from this Town who served their country in the World War and in honor of our illustrious citizen the late Augustus Peabody Gardner.

We have at hand a fund of \$10,000. bequeathed us by our former resident, the late Maxwell Norman, who by his generosity showed his interest in this Town. We hope that the Town will not make permanent disposition of this fund until such time as opportunity offers itself to perpetuate his memory in a suitable manner.

Yours respectfully,

JONATHAN LAMSON,  
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS,  
GEORGE E. SMITH,

*Selectmen of Hamilton.*

TOWN OF HAMILTON  
REPORT  
OF THE  
Finance and Advisory Committee  
ON THE  
Appropriations and Articles  
FOR THE  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
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## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

We submit our recommendations for your support at the Town Meeting and reminding you that it is at this meeting and by your vote that the tax rate is fixed.

We endeavor each year to keep expenses down—to cut expenses here and there where we are convinced that the efficiency of the particular department is not thereby impaired.

It is our belief that the schools could be operated more efficiently for less money. A survey of other comparable towns vindicates this opinion and the School Committee, in whose hands the management should rest, is urged to give the matter serious consideration.

It has been and still is our opinion, that highway maintenance can and should be annually reduced by a policy of constructing permanent pieces of road each year. In the last few years good progress has been made along these lines for we have Essex Street, Railroad Avenue, Willow Street, part of Bridge Street, on which many thousands used to be spent on annual maintainance. The construction of Bridge Street, east of the railroad, this year will eliminate another large maintainance charge, some \$2500 the Surveyor told us.

In view of the low expense of snow removal this year, it is possible to again appropriate the same amount as last year for highway work and we recommend (on account of maintainance economies above mentioned) the reduction of the amount

expended on "labor and gravel," and urge \$20,000. being spent on an 18-foot "permanent" piece of construction on Bridge Street. Union Street is not in such bad shape but that it can wait. A better job can be done and a better price obtained if a substantial sum is spent on one section of road rather than dividing it into two jobs.

Assurances have been given that the State and County will initiate a program of reconstruction of Highland Street in 1930 to which the town will subscribe its share.

We believe that the amount allotted to general maintainance is sufficient provided adequate use is made of the roller and scarifier. The economies and benefits which this investment in a new roller was supposed to bring about, have not as yet fully materialized.

It is recommended that the new Fire Truck\* be purchased by a committee of three appointed by the Moderator.

It is suggested that a pay station be installed in the cellar of the Town Hall.

An inventory of the equipment (and date of purchase) that is the property of the town should be submitted annually by the various departments, to be on file with the Town Clerk.

There are in the town a number of separate departments, which, in our opinion, could be combined. This would result in increased efficiency, and make a substantial saving in salaries.

While the salary for the consolidated department would be larger, still it would not equal the total of the separate departments.

For an example, the office of tax collector and town treasurer could be combined, which would also mean a saving of interest on surety bonds, as probably one bond would then cover both positions.

After careful study and advice from the State House, we advise placing the assessors on a salary basis in lieu of a per diem basis.

We compliment the fire department individually and collectively for their public-spirited work and efficiency in fire fighting.

The number of fires is regrettable and it is the duty of each and every one of us to work for fire prevention, and the duty of the Fire Engineers to study ways and means of reducing the number of fires. This may involve fines for unlawful or careless fires, and ordinances, education, etc., but definite preventative measures should be taken.

The list of the appropriation recommendations follows:

	Spent 1927	Spent 1928	Recommended 1929 Salaries	General	Total
Selectmen			\$350.00		
			250.00		
	\$1,196.01	\$1,181.80	250.00	\$400.00	\$1,250.00
Accounting	1,267.52	1,298.51	1,200.00	100.00	1,300.00
Treasury	896.17	944.25	750.00	200.00	950.00
Collector	870.97	881.39	600.00	300.00	900.00
Assessors			350.00		
			225.00		
	1,499.30	1,497.81	225.00	700.00	1,500.00
Cert. of notes	10.00	12.00			20.00
Law	200.00	200.00	200.00	....	200.00
Town Clerk	627.47	641.96	500.00	150.00	650.00
Elec. and Reg.	472.07	949.82	....	....	500.00
Town Hall	2,103.32	2,174.10	....	....	2,200.00
Police	2,151.99	2,032.22	....	....	2,000.00
Fire	3,130.26	3,440.84	....	2,800.00	2,800.00
*Fire truck—body and equip.	.....	.....	....	....	3,000.00
Sealer	299.97	295.61			350.00
Moth, Town	2,199.53	2,199.60			2,200.00
Moth, Private	1,499.22	1,498.37			1,500.00
Tree Warden	499.60	517.51			500.00

	Spent 1927	Spent 1928	Recommended 1929		
			Salaries	General	Total
Forest Warden	162.10	123.76	25.00	100.00	150.00
Health	1,798.82	1,747.18	100.00	2,500.00	2,600.00
Insp. of Animals	47.25	43.16			75.00
Highways	21,536.52	16,491.24	1,500.00	12,500.00	14,000.00
Special	17,305.74	25,000.00	....	....	....
Snow	9,380.91	3,768.83			3,000.00
Street Lights	7,812.20	7,843.12			7,900.00
Public welfare	3,626.06	3,972.91	50.00	3,900.00	4,000.00
			25.00		
			25.00		
State Aid	264.00	309.00			300.00
Soldiers' Relief	550.33	905.64			800.00
Schools	44,944.31	47,022.97			45,000.00
Public Library	2,008.58	2,177.60			2,000.00
Parks	349.70	349.85			350.00
Memorial Day	250.00	261.57			300.00
Town Reports	386.87	379.30			400.00
Town Clock	25.00	25.00			50.00
Amer. Legion	250.00	250.00			250.00
Boiler Ins.	41.39	103.52			75.00
Game Warden	10.00	10.00			15.00
Reserve Fund	2,897.64	2,895.20			3,000.00
Cemetery	884.75	1,072.65	15.00	855.00	900.00
			15.00		
			15.00		
Interest	3,783.94	3,517.87			3,900.00
Maturing Debt	5,000.00	5,000.00			4,500.00
Total Spent	\$142,239.51	\$143,036.16			

<i>Warrants</i>	<i>Requested</i>	
No. 5 Approved		\$1,136.79
No. 6 (See General Appropriations)		
No. 7 Essex approved		
No. 8 Cummings approved	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
To be contracted for by Selectmen		
No. 9 Garfield approved	2,000.00	2,000.00
To be contracted for by Selectmen		
No. 10 Bridge approved	15,000.00	20,000.00
To be contracted for by Selectmen		
No. 11 Rust approved	1,800.00	1,800.00
To be contracted for by Selectmen		

<i>Warrants</i>	<i>Requested</i>	
No. 12 Union not approved	8,500.00	
No. 13 Swamp approved	300.00	300.00
No. 14 Signs and rails approved	\$1,000.00	1,000.00
To be contracted for by Selectmen		
No. 15 Winthrop Park fence	300.00	300.00
No. 17 and No. 18 Approved		
No. 19 Max Norman gift. (Vote to accept)		
Nos. 20, 21, 22 Approved		
Total appropriated		\$143,121.79

## THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

G. v. L. MEYER, *Chairman*J. C. R. PEABODY, *Vice-Chairman*L. A. HASKELL, *Secretary*

WM. W. BANCROFT

FINLAY D. MACDONALD



ANNUAL REPORT  
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## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

The School Committee presents herewith its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1928.

The work of the schools has been carried on as usual, with some improvements adopted in the system.

In general the buildings are in good repair, except that the roof of the Walsh School needs some attention, and we would also like to relay a portion of the asbestos slate roof on the South School if our funds permit it.

We are still lacking space for indoor athletic work and physical instruction, but hope to find some means of providing the above in the near future.

The year just finished is the last under the Superintendency Union of Topsfield, Essex, Wenham, Lynnfield and Hamilton.

At a meeting of the Union in December it was voted to allow Essex to withdraw for the purpose of joining with Manchester, in order that Essex might have more supervision.

Under the new arrangement, Hamilton is taking a quarter of the time that Essex had, Topsfield a quarter, and Lynnfield a half, and we feel that all of the towns will be greatly benefited.

The following reports of the Superintendent, Principal, and others, contains much information of interest to all citizens.

Last year the Committee asked for an appropriation of \$46,665.00. While the appropriation cannot vary much from year to year, as it is made up largely of salaries and supplies of fixed amounts, the Committee recommends that the sum of \$46,115.00 be appropriated for the maintenance of the schools for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. ROBERTSON, JR., *Chairman.*

L. G. BUSH, *Secretary.*

C. E. READY.

Hamilton, Mass.. February 1, 1929.

*School Committee.*

# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

*To the School Committee:*

Dear Madam and Sirs: I herewith submit my sixth annual report as superintendent of your schools.

For the information of the taxpayers I have devoted the principal part of the report to questions and answers relating to our school system.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

In particular reference to the Hamilton Schools.

What is the population of Hamilton?  
2,018 according to census of 1925.

How many children of school age, i. e., between 5 and 16?  
384.

How many children enrolled in public schools December 21, 1928?

Grades 1-6      244

Grades 7-12    158

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Total 1-12    402

What children does the law compel to attend school?  
Those between 7 and 16, but a child of 14 may leave under certain conditions to go to work if he has completed the sixth grade.

At what age may a child enter school?  
Must be five years of age April 1st preceding his enrollment in September.

## ADMINISTRATION

How many members on the School Committee?

Three one being elected annually.

When does the committee meet?

Monthly and more often as occasion demands.

What are the duties of the School Committee?

It has entire charge of the schools. It adopts the budget, determines how it shall be expended, elects teachers, authorizes repairs, considers and approves changes in school organization and courses of study, and is the controlling authority under the law, on all matters pertaining to the schools. It appoints the superintendent of schools as its executive officer and holds him responsible for carrying out the policies of the committee and for directing and supervising the work and conduct of all persons employed by the committee.

How many school buildings in Hamilton?

Two. The Adelaide Dodge Walsh School at East Hamilton and the South School, with two two-room annexes at South Hamilton.

How many persons are regularly employed by the school committee?

The following

Superintendent of Schools	1
Clerk	1
Teachers, Jr. Sr. high schools	10
Teachers, Elementary school	8
Supervisors—music and drawing	2
School Nurse	1
School Physician	1

Janitors	3
Barge Drivers	2
Truant Officer	1

## ORGANIZATION

How are schools organized

Under the 6-3-3 plan, i. e., six years in the elementary schools, three in the junior high and three in the senior high.

Is this plan up-to-date?

Yes, it is considered as the most up-to-date plan.

Are there many junior high schools in Massachusetts?

There are 170 junior high schools. 77,824 pupils were in junior high schools in 1928.

What is our plan of promotion?

Promotions are made annually. In a few cases double promotions are made during the year. Approximately 98% of the towns in the state have annual promotions.

The law requires what subjects to be taught in the elementary grades?

Reading, writing, spelling, English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, drawing, history and the constitution of the United States, civics, physiology and hygiene, good-behavior, indoor and outdoor games and athletic exercises.

What other subjects are now taught in the schools?

Music, manual training, sewing and cooking, safety education, thrift.

What subjects may be taught in the high school?

Any subject the school committee wishes taught. However, in

making up the list of subjects to be taught the committee is influenced by the requirements necessary for admittance to the higher institutions of learning. Hamilton High School offers three courses:—College, Commercial and General.

Is a kindergarten maintained?

No. Doubtless there would not be a sufficient number of children for a class.

Is special provision made for mentally retarded children?

No separate class is maintained. These children are given special attention by the teachers whenever possible.

Is an evening school maintained?

No. The law does not require one to be maintained in Hamilton. If there was sufficient demand for one the school committee might establish one. Beverly evening school is open to Hamilton students.

Is a continuation school maintained?

No. The law does not require one to be maintained in Hamilton.

Is an Americanization class maintained?

No. There seems to be no demand for such.

Is provision made for those desiring to take vocational courses?

Yes, tuition is paid for those pursuing vocational courses.

## SCHOOL COSTS

Who determines the amount of money to be spent on schools?

The people of the town determine this through the annual appropriation.

What was the school appropriation for 1928?

It was \$47,050.89 including the dog tax in 1928.

What percent of the total appropriation for the town is for the schools?

34%

Note: Questions and answers following are based upon returns as given in Annual Report of State Department of Education Part II, for fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.

What percent of the school expenditures was for teachers' salaries?

In Hamilton 59%. In the state 59%.

What was the per pupil cost for teaching?

In Hamilton \$69.44. In the state \$67.53.

What was the per pupil cost for text-books and supplies?

In Hamilton \$6.53. In the state \$4.61.

What did General Control cost per pupil?

In Hamilton \$4.65. In the state \$3.62.

What did operation of the plant cost per pupil?

In Hamilton \$9.24. In the state \$10.47.

What was the per pupil cost for repairs, replacement, and up-keep?

In Hamilton \$4.87. In the state \$5.01.

What was the total per pupil cost for high school education?

In Hamilton \$188.65. In the state \$133.82. It invariably costs more per pupil in a small high school than in a large one.

What was the total per pupil cost for elementary education?  
In Hamilton \$88.61. In the State \$83.64.

What was the total cost per pupil, both high and elementary?  
In Hamilton \$116.55. In the state \$114.05.

### STATE REIMBURSEMENTS

Does the State reimburse the town for any part of its expenditures for maintenance of schools?

Yes. From the State General School Fund a part of the income tax is returned annually. This reimbursement is determined by the training, experience and salary of each teacher.

What was the amount due the town of Hamilton from the above fund in 1928?

\$3,500.00

What measures in a degree how much a town can afford to appropriate for maintenance of its public schools?

The valuation of the town per pupil.

What is the valuation per pupil in average membership?

In Hamilton \$14,670. In the state \$10,245.

What is the rank in valuation per pupil, of Hamilton?

It ranks 37th among the 355 cities and towns in the commonwealth.

How does Hamilton rank in expenditure per pupil from local taxation?

It ranks 40th among the 355 cities and towns in the commonwealth.



Doubtless those having read this report will feel that "the schools are a great expense." I agree that the schools are an expense, but when one considers what is given in return for the expenditure I cannot agree that the expense is too great.

What do we give every pupil in return for the expenditure made annually to educate him?

Schooling for about 185 days. Transportation to and from school, as necessary in a suitable conveyance and under the best of supervision. Housing in a building well heated, ventilated, lighted and having reasonably satisfactory sanitary conditions. A playground suitable for outdoor exercises though not large enough for regular athletic games. Free text-books and necessary supplies to carry out an up-to-date program of studies. Special supervisors for Music and Art, medical inspection and supervision of health of all children. Special clinics for those mentally handicapped and physically weak. An opportunity to pursue a high school course fitting for admission to Colleges and Normal schools. Our high school has certificate privileges to all colleges allowing applicants to enter on that basis, and the school is rated "Class A" by the State Department of Education. Instruction, supervision and guidance by an able corps of teachers under whose care parents should feel it a privilege to have their children during the most impressionable years of their life.

The above tends to keep practically all of our children in school until they have completed the junior high school course, with a result that the greater majority of them continue through the senior high school.

To a large number the Colleges, Normal schools and trade schools offer the opportunity to pursue courses fitting them for their life's occupation. Notwithstanding opinions to the



contrary, I believe these pupils are fitted, as no other generation has been, to assume the responsibilities of citizenship.

It is not enough that our children be trained merely to assume the responsibilities of childhood. They must be prepared to assume the responsibilities of a very complex life.

A quotation from one of our leaders in national affairs—President-elect Hoover—has the following to say regarding the importance of the school. “But after all, our schools do more than merely transmit knowledge and training; they are America itself in miniature, where in purer air and under wise guidance, a whole life of citizenship is lived experimentally, with its social contacts, its recreations, its ethical problems, its political practices, its duties and its rewards. Ideals are developed that shape the whole adult life. Experience is gained that is valuable for all the years of maturity. I would be one of the last people in the world to belittle the importance of the exact knowledge that teachers impart to their pupils—as an engineer I set a high value upon precise information—but knowledge, however exact, is secondary to a trained mind and serves no useful purpose unless it is the servant of an ambitious mind, a sound character, and an idealistic spirit. Social values outrank economic values. Economic gains, even scientific gains, are worse than useless if they accrue to a people unfitted by trained character to use and not abuse them.”

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A small percentage of failures of promotion throughout the system. Adoption of:

Sheridan Language Series	grades 1-6
Thought Test Readers	“ 1-3
Directed History Study Outlines	“ 6-8
New Texts in Hygiene and Physiology	“ 1-7

Manuals for Physical Education	"	1-6
Manuals for Safety Education	"	1-6
Drill Exercises in English	"	8-9
Literature Text	"	7

Additional books to supplement those already in use throughout the schools.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Adoption of more up-to-date basal systems in reading and writing.

A sufficient appropriation to complete the relaying of slate on the South School.

Purchase of a piano for use at the South School to replace an old organ.

The exchange of least two typewriters.

### CONCLUSION

The fine influence the schools are having on the youth of the town is due to the interest and co-operation of parents, school committee and teachers, all of which is greatly appreciated by your superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. WHITTIER.

*Superintendent of Schools.*

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

Dear Sir: For your consideration and information, I submit the following, my third annual report as Principal of the Hamilton Junior-Senior High School.

The total enrollment of the Junior-Senior High School for the school year 1928-1929 is 165, divided as follows: Junior 1, 40; Junior 2, 36; Junior 3, 36; Senior 1, 19, Senior 2, 19; Senior 3, 15. Excepting for transfers there has been but one withdrawal since the opening of school in September. This enrollment is commendable and is about the same as we have had during the past three years.

The State Department of Education has recognized the standard of excellence we have tried to maintain, and has again placed us in "Class A" rank (the highest), with full certificate privilege to normal schools. If a student wishes to prepare for college, he may be sure that he has only himself to blame if he cannot pass his examinations at the end of four years. In spite of the fact that it is becoming increasingly difficult to get into college, and more difficult to stay there, reports from colleges where our graduates are enrolled show that all of our pupils are maintaining a high scholarship. Getting into college is a co-operative effort between teacher and pupil. Even the brightest pupils find themselves far better prepared after an additional year of study. Too often pupils will not do their share. Good text-books and expert teaching will not in themselves give adequate education. To them, must be added the enthusiastic and earnest endeavor of the pupil. Every individual must work out his own destiny, as Euclid declared to the tyrant of Syracuse, "There is no royal road to

learning." It can be reached by many pathways, but the pupil himself must put forth the efforts needed in climbing.

Educators have agreed for some time that reports of school work sent to parents should be more informative than those generally used. With this in mind, we have devised a new type of report card which we hope is proving its worth in acquainting parents with the reason for school marks at various levels. Our new report cards inform the parent not only of the pupil's relative standing in his class, but also of his success in recitations, his conduct, and his attitude toward his work, his teachers and fellow students. This additional information now given the parent will, we hope, establish a more complete understanding and spirit of co-operation between the home and the school.

In order to improve instruction we have given, during the past year, a series of mental and standard tests. They have already made a lasting contribution by exposing the absurdities of mass instruction. This does not mean that we should return to the tutorial plan, but rather that it points out the necessity of shifting the emphasis to, and focusing the attention upon, the individual child. It means a substitution of the personal for education en masse.

During the past year our science laboratory has been greatly improved. A floor has been laid in the laboratory and the science desks have been so placed as to give more working space for both physics and chemistry and still maintain a classroom with average seating capacity. Many new pieces of physics apparatus have been added to our equipment, which has materially increased the efficiency of this department. By carefully purchasing and caring for new apparatus, we can soon build up a well-equipped science laboratory with a small yearly outlay.

Recent reports from the State Department of Education

show a continued increase in extra curricula activities, both in Senior and Junior High Schools throughout the state. This increase is justifiable, according to Professor Thomas H. Biggs, for two reasons. First, it offers the school its best opportunity to teach pupils to do better the desirable things that they are going to do anyway. Second, it offers a ready channel through which the school may utilize the spontaneous interest and activities of the adolescent, and through these leads to higher types of activities and makes them both desired and possible of attainment. In order to provide for proper supervision of these activities, we have continued our period for activities instituted last year. This is a thirty-minute period each day which provides for club activities in the Junior High School. This also gives an opportunity for assemblies in both Junior and Senior High Schools, as well as a glee club period for the High School and physical training periods for both groups. In the Junior High School, we have club meetings weekly, which take up basketry, dramatics, science, story-telling, and so forth. As in the past years, we find our physical training program cramped, due to the lack of a gymnasium. Our inability to secure the town hall for basket-ball makes it impossible to carry on any athletic program during the winter months. In the spring and fall, however, we have organized a very successful program of physical exercise, including athletic games in which every member of the school participates. Baseball still continues to be our major athletic sport.

One of the important problems of most schools is the upkeep of its buildings. Every summer the most important of these are attended to, but it is never possible, for want of sufficient funds, to accomplish much more than the most pressing work. Among the most important improvements which are needed in our building is the finishing of the side walls in the laboratory and the construction of a floor in the manual training room.

Something should be done also about the toilets. Located as they are in the darkest part of the basement, pupils have little pride in keeping them as immaculate as they should be.

The State Department of Education has encouraged the offering of as many branches of manual work as possible. This is especially true in the Junior High School, where tryout courses for the purpose of guidance are most important. In Hamilton, as in many other communities of similar size, owing to the large expense entailed it has been impossible to offer more than woodworking and elementary printing for the boys, and cooking and sewing for the girls. We might well be looking forward, however, to the establishment of short unit tryout courses in other fields of manual arts. The purpose of these courses is not to make expert tradesmen, but to acquaint the pupil with the qualifications and training, the chances for advancement, the kind of thing expected of them, as well as with the advantages and disadvantages of these various types of employment.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation for the generous co-operation of parents and teachers and for your own valuable aid.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. COTTLE.



## REPORT OF DRAWING SUPERVISOR

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Drawing.

The drawing course has been continued along the general lines as last year, with an effort to make it of more educational value.

Much of the value of art education in schools lies in the forming of habits of exactness and neatness. The importance to industry of pride in good workmanship, cannot be overlooked. In all our grades we have problems in construction, paper-cutting, folding, and use of ruler-measurements which emphasize this side of art instruction. In the seventh and eighth grades construction work included the making of folders to hold their papers and the making of photograph albums.

An endeavor has been made the past year to keep our room decorations, such as borders and sand-table work, as educational as possible, at the same time adding a great deal of appreciation and stimulation to the project. History and Geography are also closely correlated through the making of booklets, illustrative work and cut-out posters. In the sixth grade a great deal of our drawing has been covered through making and illustrating a Greek and Ancient History notebook.

Several pupils' posters were sent to the annual state-wide contest conducted by the Massachusetts Anti-Tuberculosis League held at Beverly. In addition to this contest, a few pupils entered the poster competition sponsored by the Massachusetts S. P. C. A., and we were pleased to receive the following awards:

Small Medal (2nd)—Mildred Baldwin, Barkley Tree.

Honorable Mention—Annabelle Foss, Donald Greeley.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the superintendent, principal and teachers for their interest and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBIE U. CRAGG,

*Supervisor of Drawing.*



## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music.

The regular method of Voice Culture, Sight Reading, and Interpretation has been followed as in previous years.

We are also continuing to emphasize Music Appreciation through all the grades and striving to develop a permanent course. The third case of records has been purchased that we may further the study in this particular subject.

While the child's mind is plastic it should hear the best in music, both vocal and instrumental, and be taught to listen to it intelligently, correlating it with art, physical education, literature and geography, and therefore making it a vital part of his life.

A list of twenty-five selections were carefully chosen for study in the seventh and eighth grades during the year which ended in the Musical Memory Contest. Each child made a scrap-book containing notes on every selection and composer, inserting pictures suitable for each composition. Great interest is shown in this part of the work, which correlates with Art and English.

The Music Memory Contest was held in June, and the results were most gratifying.

The Hamilton Mothers' Club again furnished money for prizes that were awarded to

Howard Boyd

Elizabeth Crowell

Tasea Pappas

Harold MacDonald

Thelma Davis

Mary Donlon

Nancy Knowlton

Muriel Gould

Esther Lee

Sterling Silver Perfect Score Pins were awarded to:

Donald Greely	Everett Holland
Donald Campbell	Gertrude Alexander
Gladys Back	Esther Lee
Howard Boyd	Muriel Gould

A Christmas Musical Play was presented at the East School and proved to be a success.

New music books have been supplied the fourth grade, giving us the Progressive Music Series through the first six grades.

More reference books were purchased for the Junior High and are greatly appreciated by the pupils and teachers.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the superintendent, school committee and teachers for their support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUDE L. THOMAS,

*Supervisor of Music.*

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my fourth annual report as School Nurse for the town of Hamilton.

### PRE-SCHOOL EXAMINATION

Letters were sent to all parents having children entering school in September. The letter informed parents of a Pre-school Clinic to be held at the South School, Hamilton in June. This clinic consisted of a physical examination of all children entering school in September, the doctor in charge being the School Physician, Dr. John G. Corcoran. The parents were urged to have their children attend, that any found with defects might have same corrected during summer months. All parents were instructed to have children vaccinated.

No. of children attending clinic	12
No. of children entering schools	30
Defects found of the 12 examined:	
Tonsils	2
Teeth	1
Glands	7
Not vaccinated	2
Underweights	1
Defects taken care of during summer months:	
Tonsils—private clinic	7

Vaccination. All children entering school in September being vaccinated, with one or two exceptions where a doctor's certificate was presented.

## PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

A physical examination was given through the grades by Dr. J. G. Corcoran, School Physician, in September.

	<i>No.</i>		<i>Notices</i>	
	<i>examined</i>	<i>Defects</i>	<i>sent</i>	<i>Corrections</i>
Tonsils	319	21	21	18 by clinic 6 privately 3 X-rayed
Glands	319	5	5	2 operation 3 treatments
Heart	319	2	2	
Poor Posture	319	28		

## DENTAL WORK

Miss Bernadine Conway, Dental Hygienist, examined and cleaned all the teeth of those desiring the same.

No. examined	398
No. needing cleaning	315
No. cleaned	305
No. needing fillings	198
No. needing extractions	61

Notices were sent to parents having children needing dental care. We find it very hard to make a complete check-up on dental work, as we have no funds for clinic work, therefore all dental work is cared for privately, except the examining and cleaning.

This year we hope to secure enough Dental Certificates from the State Department of Public Health to give each school child one to present to the family dentist. When the dentist has completed the work necessary he will fill in the dental certificates that the pupil may take it to his or her teacher.

The eyes and ears were tested during the school year. A check-up being made on those found with poor vision and poor hearing. Notices were sent to parents having children with poor vision or defective hearing, suggesting that they consult a physician or oculist as soon as possible. We find defective vision or hearing a serious drawback to any child. Retarded progress in school work is often attributable to defective sight or hearing.

No. examined, grades 1-8	271
Defective vision	21
Defective hearing	4

### HEALTH PROGRAM

The Health Program consists of general inspection through the grades for cleanliness, talks on safety, posture, value of warm lunches, etc., clerical work, weighing and measuring underweights once a month, home visits for defective causes, such as tonsils, eyes and ears, hospital trips for tonsil cases and X-rays, and simple dressings taken care of at school when injuries happen at school. Follow up work in the homes and in the schools is carried on when there is suspicion of a contagious disease.

### POSTURE

Pins were awarded to pupils having the best posture. Those having poor posture are encouraged to correct their careless habits of standing and sitting. Pupils receiving Posture Pins were as follows.

Catherine Mann	Bernard Bookstein
Thomas Millerick	Edwin Sanders
Bernard Greeley	William Stone

William Belisle	Amy Dolliver
Clayton Kirby	Virginia Gould
June King	Louise Moulton
Joseph Bookstein	Helen McCarthy
Joseph Darcy	Earle Mann
Dora Marks	Janice Gould

### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

This year the School Committee conducted a campaign for the prevention of Diphtheria. Children were immunized only by parents' consent. The immunization was given free of charge by the School Physician, Dr. Corcoran, assisted by the school nurse.

No. of consents received from parents	214
No. refused	129
No. of children immunized	214

Three families had already had their children immunized.

The above campaign will be continued this year for those that refused last year and would like to take advantage of the immunization, and for the children entering school for the first time.

### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

January 1928-January 1929

Chicken Pox 20	Measles 7
Mumps 7	Whooping Cough 19
Impetigo 5	Itch 1
Pemphigus 1	Scarlet Fever 8

### MISCELLANEOUS

Infantile Paralysis 1	Appendectomy 1
Pneumonia 1	Pediculosis 1
Cervical glands 3	Tonsils 24

## STATE CLINIC

A general survey was made by the State Department of Public Health, Division of Tuberculosis. This clinic was held in our town last June. All children whose parents consented had a thorough physical examination by Dr. Sacs and Dr. Martin from the State Department. They also gave the children the Tuberculosis Test. All reacting to Von Pirquet Test had their chests X-rayed.

No. examined	202
No. given test	202
No. of contact cases	10
No. reacting to test	71
No. X-rayed	69
Classified as suspects	11
Case found with Hilum Tuberculosis	1
Found negative	57
Result of physical examination by State Doctors:	
Defects:	
Tonsils enlarged and diseased	29
Teeth needing dental care	65
Heart condition	3
Cases of malnutrition	22

Parents were notified of the findings in the above examination and given necessary information on how to care for and correct defects. All children X-rayed and the underweights are being weighed every month. A report of the same is to be sent the State Department in June.

## UNDERWEIGHTS

Number of children found 10% or more underweight, 51. These children are encouraged to have more rest, more nourishing food, and in many cases a suggestion is made to have them

see their family physician for an annual examination. Many are also taking cod liver oil as a body builder.

No. of Home Visits	243
No. of Clerical Work Hours	40
No. of Simple Dressings	163

I am hoping this year to make more home visits, with the pleasure of knowing all the parents having children attending our schools. I feel that in so doing I can be of greater personal service to the children enrolled in the schools and therefore of more service to the community.

In closing, I wish to thank the superintendent, teachers and members of the school committee for their support and co-operation in maintaining the health work.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE L. STOBART, R. N.,  
*School Nurse.*



## REPORT OF THE INSTRUCTOR OF DOMESTIC ARTS

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

My dear Sir: I hereby submit the second annual report of my department.

The plans and aims of the work are much the same as they were last year.

The girls are doing better work and seem more interested. The attitude and work in the advanced cooking and sewing classes is particularly gratifying. On the whole they are the best high school classes I have had since I have been teaching.

During the year we have added a cretonne covering for the bed and a screen. We are making draperies for the room.

There are several articles we really need to make our work more effective. Another oil stove is a real necessity. Table linen and silver would help a great deal in making the serving of meals more attractive. Our duty is not only to make our work coincide with home conditions, but to a certain extent to set an example that may help to raise the standards of living.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mr. Whittier, and Mr. Cottle for the cordial support you are giving me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION F. WHITNEY.

## REPORT OF THE INSTRUCTOR IN MANUAL ARTS

*To the Superintendent of Schools,*

I hereby submit for your approval my third annual report of the work in the Industrial Arts Department.

In the woodworking classes I have tried as far as possible to get away from the prescribed course plan and give the boys a certain amount of freedom in choosing the project on which they are to work. This, as may be expected, is not possible in the beginners stage to as great an extent as is the case with more advanced students.

I should like to call your attention to the attitude of the boys in regard to paying for their finished projects. Most of the boys feel that they should not be charged for the waste lumber resulting from having to do work over. If the parents would use their influence to impress upon the pupils that they are very fortunate to have this department in their school and also that the expense of maintaining this department makes the present charges necessary, the attitude of the boys would change very much for the better, because perhaps then they would understand the reason for the charges they now pay.

In the printing classes all of the students have completed at least one job. The work is perhaps slower this year, but I feel that it is much more thorough.

I thank you very much for your helpful attitude toward this department.

Respectfully submitted,

AFTON F. BEZANSON.

# HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

TOWN HALL

*Wednesday Evening, June Twenty-seventh, 1928*

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

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### PROGRAM

March

Invocation .....REV. W. F. A. STRIDE

Falling Shadows ..... *Gardner*

SCHOOL CHORUS

Commencement Address .....REV. GARFIELD MORGAN

I Love a Little Cottage .....*Solman-O'Hara*

SCHOOL CHORUS

Presentation of Class Gift .....DORIS HONEYSETT

Awarding of Diplomas ..... ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR.

Parting Song

JUNIOR CLASS

Benediction .....REV. W. F. A. STRIDE

MARCH

### CLASS ROLL

Caroline M. Alexander

William E. Allen

Mildred E. Baldwin

\*Mary Elizabeth Corcoran

Eunice Evelyn Dodge

Margaret Rita Donlon

\*Evelyn Grant

Helen W. Haraden

\*Dorothy A. Hatt

Doris G. Honeysett

\*Kathryn L. Lamson

Rena E. MacEwen

\*Jennie Barbara Maione

Alma A. Mitchell

\*Mary Estelle Peterson

Robert Robertson, 3rd

\*Oona Ryan

Anna Thompson

\* Honor Pupils

### CLASS MOTTO

To the Stars

### CLASS FLOWER

Tea Rose

### CLASS COLORS

Green and Gold

## HONOR LIST

The following pupils received no rank below A and B for the entire school year 1927-1928:

## JUNIOR HIGH

Lois Campbell	Elizabeth Crowell
Muriel Gould	Everett Holland
Nancy Knowlton	Esther Lee
Orrin Lee	Harold McDonald
Catherine McGarry	George Perkins
Virginia Powers	Mary Walsh

## SENIOR HIGH

Sarah Ayers	Thelma Bailey
Anna Barron	Mary Corcoran
Beatrice Edmondson	Evelyn Grant
Dorothy Hatt	Helen Haraden
Barbara Hobbs	Kathryn Lamson
Jennie Maione	Estelle Melanson
Mary Peterson	Wilhemenia Ready
Robert Robertson	Oona Ryan

## ATTENDANCE

The following pupils were perfect in attendance at school during the school year 1927-1928:

## ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

Isabelle Dunn

Harold Knowlton

## SOUTH SCHOOL

George Dodge	Walter McGrath
William Koloski	Ruth Day
Blanche Davis	Barbara Ham
Verna Davis	Irene Tree
Catherine Farrell	William Poole
Louis Doucette	Joseph Morphew
Gladys Back	Harold McDonald
Robert Haskell (omitted by error, 1927)	

## PENMANSHIP

The following pupils received certificates for improvement in Penmanship during the school year 1927-1928.

## ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

Elizabeth Cameron	Wallace Knowlton, Jr.
Georgina Cracknell	George Manthorn

## SOUTH SCHOOL

Ralph Hursty	Mary Perkins
Louise Moulton	Dorothy Fletcher
Mary Bancroft	Nellie Emeny
Dorothy Greeley	Rita Walsh
Elizabeth Ross	Eleanor Barker
Everett Holland	Esther Lee
Flora Dodge	Lois Campbell

## HOME READING WITH SCHOOL CREDIT

*Public Library and Public Schools Co-operating*

The following pupils received Reading Certificates for having read ten or more books from the approved list:

## Grade 3

\*\*\*Grace Marks  
\*Roy Varnum  
\*Robert Farrell  
\*Elizabeth Feener  
\*\*\*Clifton Fenton  
\*\*Ruth Day  
\*\*\*Louis Pappas  
Helen Fuller

\*\*\*Amy Dolliver  
\*\*\*Leonard Varnum  
Mary Sargent  
\*\*Ralph Hursty  
\*\*Neil Moynihan  
Everett Feener  
\*Victoria DeLuca  
\*Blanche Davis

## Grade 4

\*\*\*\*\*Barbara Ham  
\*\*\*Dorothy Fletcher  
\*\*\*Ellen Donlon  
\*\*\*\*\*Lillian Emeny  
\*Dorothy Vennard  
William Stone  
\*\*\*\*\*William Carter  
\*Virginia Gould  
\*Everett Mitchell

Louise Moulton  
Anne Whittier  
\*\*Dorothy Alexander  
\*\*\*Arthur McGlauffin  
\*\*\*\*\*Benjamin Robertson  
\*\*\*\*\*Walter Fowler  
Madeline Carter  
\*Tony Maione  
\*\*\*Albert Lougee

## Grade 5

\*\*\*Edwina Alexander  
\*Ralph Tuck  
Clayton Kirby

Irene Tree  
William Russell  
\*William King

Thelma Mann	****Alice Stone
*Annie Maione	*Laura Bailey
****Alfred McRae	Cornelia MacGregor
Harriet Cushman	***Madeline Campbell
*****William Delisle	*****Helen McCarthy
*****Mary Bancroft	*****Nellie Emeny
**Bradley Dolliver	**James Darcy
*Eileen Armstrong	Jeanne Hipson
**Robert Smith	Richard Greeley
Vincent Larkin	John Dunn
Richard Peale	

## Grade 6

*John Adams	***Edward Carter
Janice Gould	Kenneth McRae
William Stevens	Milton Sanford
Helen Tuck	*Elizabeth Tuttle
Dorothy Greeley	June King

## Grade 7

Tasea Pappas

## Grade 8

Esther Lee	**Howard Boyd
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## ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

## Primary Room

*Isabelle Dunn	***Elizabeth Cameron
Melvin Como	**June Doyle
*Joseph McDonald	***Hazel Manthorn
***Gordon Thompson	



## Intermediate Room

**Harold Knowlton	*****Wallace Knowlton, Jr.
Georgina Cracknell	George Manthorn
*****Patrick Keough	***Gertrude Sprague
**George McDonald	*****Robert Hiller
***Roger Barron	Raymond Barker
*****Margaret Sargeant	***Earl Faulkner
***George Dunn	***William McDonald
Gladys Manthorn	**Howard Burnham
**Richard Cameron	Dorothy Whipple
**Edna Sprogue	****Katherine Cracknell
*Gardner Wright	

A star is given for each five additional books read over the ten needed to secure the certificate.

## SPELLING

The following pupils represented their grade in the Town Spelling Contest held in April, 1928:

## SOUTH SCHOOL

Grade III	Ruth Day
Grade IV	Anne Whittier
Grade V	Helen McCarthy
Grade VI	Dorothy Greeley
Grade VII	Mary Walsh (2)*
Grade VIII	Harold McDonald

## A. D. WALSH SCHOOL

Grade III	Isabelle Dunn
Grade IV	Patrick Keough
Grade V	Margaret Sargeant
Grade VI	Dorothy Whipple (1)*

\* Winners of town to represent town at Union Contest.

(1)—(2) Order of winning.

## SCHOOL CENSUS

As of October, 1928

	<i>Boys</i>	<i>Girls</i>
Number between five and seven years of age	38	33
Number between seven and fourteen years of age	127	126
Number between fourteen and sixteen years of age	27	33
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Totals	192	192
Total Census		384

## SCHOOL SAVINGS

## SALEM SAVINGS BANK

Balance, January 1, 1928	\$520 03	
Deposits during 1928	444 26	
Total	<hr/>	\$964 29
Withdrawals and Transfers 1928		476 53
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Balance, January 1, 1929		\$487 76
Number of Depositors, January 1, 1929		233

# MEMBERSHIP BY AGES AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1927.

Grade	A G E S																		Totals	% Re- tarded
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18						
1	32	11	2																45	0
2	21	11	2	1															35	2
3	25	11	3																39	0
4	3	15	9	5	1	2													35	8
5	6	21	19	7	4	3													60	11
6	2	15	12	4	1	1													35	5
7	1	5	15	11	5	4													41	9
8		14	15	5	4														38	10
9	1	13	10	5	2														31	6
10		2	8	10	2														22	9
11		1	4	10	1														16	0
12		3	7	9	3														22	0
Total in Grades 1 - 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	249	5
Total in Grades 7 - 12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170	7
Total in Grades 1 - 12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	419	5

## TEACHERS AND COURSES PURSUED IN 1928

<i>Teacher</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Course</i>
William E. Cottle . . . . .	Harvard	Methods of Teaching
Bernice Hayward . . . .	Univ. Exten.	Problems in Education
		Advanced French Composition
Bessie F. McRae, Zanerian College	Corres.	Business Writing
Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer		
	Univ. Exten.	Appreciation of Symphonies
Sybil G. Bean . . . . .	Boston Univ.	Problems of the Teacher
		Junior High
Afton Bezanson . . . . .	Boston Univ.	Physical Education
Edith L. Fletcher		
	Boston Univ. Exten.	Teaching of Arithmetic
		in Elementary Grades
Margaret Batchelder		
	Boston Univ. Exten.	Teaching of Arithmetic
		in Elementary Grades
Marion C. Joseph		
	Boston Univ. Exten.	Teaching of Arithmetic
		in Elementary Grades
Ellen Duffy, Boston Univ.	Exten.	Reading in Elem. Grades
Mabel G. Gove		
	Boston Univ. Exten.	Reading in Elem. Grades

# HAMILTON TEACHERS' DIRECTORY, JANUARY, 1929

NAME	SCHOOL	Subject or Grade	Salary	Appoint- ment	Education Last School Attended
William E. Cottle.....	High, Principal	Science and Math...	\$2950	1926	Harvard University
Bessie F. McFae.....	High, Assistant	Commercial .....	1350	1925	Salem Normal
Mary E. Burns.....	High, Assistant	Commercial .....	1150	1927	Salem Normal
Mrs. Laura W. Boyd.....	High, Assistant	English and History...	1700	1925	Emerson College
Bernice L. Hayward...	High, Assistant	French and Latin...	1400	1925	Boston University
Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer..	Junior High Asst.	Science & Geog.....	1600	1921	Salem Normal
Sybil G. Bean.....	Junior High Asst.	Liter. and History..	1400	1927	Boston University
Carolyn Wymann.....	Junior High Asst.	English and Arith...	1450	1925	Gorham Normal
Doris E. Woodsum .....	South	Grade 6 .....	1250	1927	Keene Normal
Margaret K. Batchelder .....	South	Grade 5 .....	1250	1920	Salem Normal
Marian C. Joseph .....	South	Grade 4 .....	1250	1921	Salem Normal
Edith L. Fletcher .....	South	Grade 3 .....	1450	1906	Salem Normal
Mrs. Marion S. Batchelder.....	South	Grade 2 .....	1350	1926	Hyanis Summer
Nelly G. Cutting' .....	South	Grade 1 .....	1500	1915	Salem Normal
Afton F. Bezanson .....	South	Manual Arts .....	1164	1926	Marblehead High
Marion F. Whitney .....	South	Domestic Arts .....	1400	1927	Farmington Normal
Ellen Duffy .....	A. D. Walsh	Grades 4-6 .....	1200	1927	Gorham Normal
Mabel Gove .....	A. D. Walsh	Grades 1-3 .....	1200	1927	Perry Kindergarten
Abbie U. Cragg .....	All	Drawing .....	310	1925	Salem Normal
Maudie L. Thomas .....	All	Music .....	350	1923	Boston University
Florence L. Stobart .....	All	Nurse .....	745	1925	Beverly Hospital

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, YEAR 1929-1930

1929

January 2 .....	Schools open
February 15 .....	Schools close
February 25 .....	Schools open
April 12 .....	Schools close
April 22 .....	Schools open
May 30 .....	Holiday
June 20 .....	Schools close

## Summer Vacation

September 4 .....	Schools open
November 11 .....	Holiday
November 27 .....	Schools close at noon
December 2 .....	Schools open
December 20 .....	Schools close

1930

January 6 .....	Schools open
February 21 .....	Schools close
March 3 .....	Schools open
April 18 .....	Schools close
April 28 .....	Schools open
May 30 .....	Holiday
June 19 .....	Schools close





